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Jets blast five positions in South Lebanon

## Israelis bomb Fatah bases

SIDON, Lebanon, March 12, (Agencies): Israeli jets bombed five bases of Yasser Arafat's Palestinian commando group in southern Lebanon today, killing one and injuring at least 10 people, witnesses and Palestinians said.

They said four Israeli aircraft took part in the two-stage raid on positions of the Fatah group in the Miye Miye and Ain Al Dilb areas near Sidon, 40 km (25 miles) south of Beirut.

### RUINED

Heavy black smoke billowed from the hilltop positions and ambulances rushed to the scene as commandos dug through rubble with their bare hands in

search of injured comrades.

Hospital and Fatah sources said one commando was killed. Palestinian sources identified the dead man, in his 30s, as a Fatah field commander.

Witnesses said 10 injured commandos were pulled from ruined buildings, four of them seriously hurt, and rescue workers were searching for an 11th missing fighter.

Palestinian sources said the air raid, the second by Israel on Lebanese territory this year, was apparently in retaliation for the hijacking of an Israeli bus by Palestinian commandos in the Negev desert last Monday.

Three Israeli passengers and the three hijackers were killed in the incident, which was hailed by Arafat's PLO as revenge for the Israeli crackdown on Palestinian

commandos dug through rubble with their bare hands in

protesters to the occupied territories.

An Israeli military spokesman in Jerusalem said the jets attacked "targets" used to plan attacks in Israeli territory. He said all the targets were destroyed and all the planes returned safely.

### Wounded

The witnesses said the Israeli bombs demolished three two-storey buildings used by Fatah in and around Ain Al Dilb, in their first run and returned within seven minutes to hit two buildings in Miye Miye.

They said roads leading to Miye Miye and Ain Al Dilb were blocked by rubble from the buildings.

The jets drew heavy anti-aircraft fire from Palestinian com-

mandos and Muslim fighters in Sidon and surrounding hills, the witnesses said.

A PLO spokesman said in a statement issued to Sidon that eight commandos had been wounded and many others were still missing.

"The Zionist enemy committed another crime today when a squad of Israeli warplanes raided civilian targets, wounding eight fighters while many others were considered missing," the statement said.

On Jan. 2, 19 Palestinians and Lebanese, seven of them infants, were killed in an Israeli air raid on Palestinian targets near Sidon and Druze-held areas to the northeast.

Last year 91 people, mostly Palestinians, were killed in 21 Israeli air raids.

### Tanker hit in Gulf

## Iran accuses Iraq of violating truce

MANAMA, March 12, (Agencies): Iraq claimed today its jets hit a tanker in the Gulf and an oil pumping station on the Iranian mainland, indicating a shift of hostilities to economic targets as a truce in the "war of the cities" appeared to be holding.

The truce could revive UN efforts to end the wider Gulf conflict, diplomat in Kuwait said today.

Iranian Deputy Foreign Minister Mohammad Javad Larijani said today priority should be given to a Gulf war peace plan proposed by UN Secretary-General Perez de Cuellar.

Resolution 598, which the council adopted unanimously last July, calls for, among other things, an immediate ceasefire and withdrawal to internationally-recognised boundaries.

Tehran accused Iraq of violating the truce by sending a warplane to bomb Gachsaran town, in southwestern Iran.

Tehran television quoted a spokesman for the war information headquarters as saying the plane was "forced to flee under heavy anti-aircraft fire."

He said the aircraft was seen "dropping its bombs out of frustration in a desert area."

### Mischief

The unidentified spokesman added that the incident "indicates Iraq wants to continue its acts of mischief, and the Islamic combatants will not remain silent if civilian targets are attacked again."

The Islamic Republic News Agency earlier reported that Iranian Revolutionary Guards attacked and set ablaze the offshore Al Amaya platform in the northern tip of the Gulf.

Al Amaya had been transformed by the Iraqis into a radar

base to monitor activity in the northern tip of the Gulf. Iran said surface-to-air and shore-to-sea missile pads on the facility were destroyed in the attack.

The official Iraqi News Agency reported that Iraqi warplanes blasted the Imam Hassan oil pumping station in southwestern Iran.

In an earlier dispatch, Iraq reported to have struck a "very large maritime target" off the Iranian coast last night. The attack was not independently verified by Gulf-based shipping executives.

### Effective

INA quoted a military spokesman as saying the Iraqi warplanes scored "an accurate and effective hit" on the vessel, and returned safely.

It quoted a spokesman as saying the raids reflected Iraq's "determination to destroy Iran's economic lifeline and deprive the enemy of revenues employed to finance aggression."

Hundreds of civilian casualties were reported to the unprecedented, 12-day duel, in which Iraq claimed to have hurled 71 long-range missiles into Tehran and two other cities and Iran said it had fired 29 missiles of its own.

The barrage ended yesterday afternoon after Iraq fired eight rockets at Tehran and three at the holy city of Qom, the last one just 16 minutes before the 4 pm (1300 GMT) cutoff time.

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## INTERNATIONAL

## Spain offers Noriega political asylum

MADRID, Spain, March 12. (AP): A newspaper reported today that Spain told the United States it would give political asylum to Panamanian strongman Gen. Manuel Antonio Noriega if it helps end that Central American country's political crisis.

Spain's leading daily, the Independent El País, quoted Jose Antonio Yanez as saying "Spain, in a critical situation, would be prepared to receive Noriega, if it can lead to a solution" of the Panamanian political situation.

Yanez is a top policy adviser to Socialist Prime Minister Felipe Gonzalez. Elena Chi, consul at the Panamanian embassy to Madrid, told the Associated Press that Noriega had no plans to seek asylum in Spain.

Panamanian President Eric Arturo Delvalle was dismissed Feb. 26, a day after he tried to fire Noriega. As chief of the 15,000-strong defence forces, Noriega is considered the real power behind the civilian government.

Despite Delvalle's muster by the Noriega-dominated national assembly, the United States still considers Delvalle to be Panama's legitimate President.

The United States has frozen official Panamanian government funds deposited to US banks, creating a financial crisis in Panama, whose currency is the US dollar.

El País said Yanez, who ended a three-day visit to Washington yesterday, expressed Spain's position in a one-hour meeting with Elliot Abrams, US Undersecretary of State for Inter-American Affairs.



## Gorbachev meets US senators

## Star Wars threatens arms deal

MOSCOW, March 12. (Reuter): Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev has said disagreement over US "Star Wars" space weaponry could threaten a strategic nuclear arms treaty, but he still thinks the document can be ready to sign at a springtime superpower summit.

Gorbachev told a delegation of US senators and scientists in Moscow yesterday that space weapons and sea-based cruise missiles were among issues that "if we fail to reach agreement on them, will put the strategic niften-

sive arms treaty in doubt."

He also mentioned problems in Geneva arms talks between the superpowers, the Soviet news agency Tass said.

## Confidence

"The Soviet leader voiced confidence that the strategic offensive arms treaty could be prepared in time for the US President's arrival in Moscow," Tass said.

"But the way things have been going in Geneva these past few weeks cannot but arouse apprehension. And some recent official

statements have added to the uncertainty," the Soviet leader said, according to Tass.

US President Reagan is expected to visit Moscow in late May for his fourth summit meeting with Gorbachev. An exact date for the summit has not been announced.

At their last meeting in Washington in December, the two leaders signed a treaty eliminating land-based intermediate-range nuclear weapons and agreed to work towards a pact limiting long-range strategic

missiles in time for signing at the next summit.

But Reagan told US journalists recently that he doubted the strategic arms reduction treaty could be finished in time for the summit, although he indicated he intends to go to Moscow anyway.

Gorbachev made his remarks during a three-hour meeting with the US delegation, which included California Senator Alan Cranston, Democratic majority whip in the Senate, and the chairman of the Senate

Armed Services Committee, Sam Nunn.

The Soviet leader appeared at pains to stress that Moscow has not softened its opposition to the US "Star Wars" programme, nor withdrawn its insistence on linking the space weapons issue with cuts in strategic arms.

Gorbachev "reiterated the Soviet Union's allegiance in its position on a direct linkage between cuts in strategic offensive arms and compliance with the ABM (anti-ballistic missile) treaty of 1972," Tass said.

## US violated accord, blames UN chief

UNITED NATIONS, March 12. (Reuter): The United States violated its agreement with the United Nations when it decided to close the PLO's mission in New York, Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar said today.

But in a written report to the General Assembly he proposed no new measures to deal with the situation pending a decision by the World Court, which is to start considering the case next month.

US Attorney General Edwin Meese yesterday ordered the PLO mission in Manhattan to close by March 21, the date set in the Congress's 1987 Anti-Terrorism Act.

Recalling his meeting with US delegate Herbert Okun, who informed him of Meese's action, Perez de Cuellar said he protested to the American representative and stated that the US decision as outlined to him was "a clear violation of the headquarters agreement between the United Nations and the United States."

This accord, signed in June 1947, established UN headquarters in New York and obligated the United States to facilitate the entry and functioning of persons invited by the world body to participate in its activities.

The PLO, which is recognised by the General Assembly as the legitimate representative of the Palestinian people, has a special status close to that of a sovereign state.

To his report today, the UN Secretary-General said that after the General Assembly acted he expressed to the United States the hope that "it would still prove possible for the United States to reconcile its domestic legislation with its international obligations."

Should that not be the case, he trusted that the United States "would recognise the existence of the dispute and agree to the utilisation of the dispute settlement procedure provided for in section 21 of the headquarters agreement and that in the interim period the status quo would be maintained."

An official source in the PLO said to Tunis the US decision was "extremely serious."

"It is a measure in support of the official terrorism carried out against the Palestinian people in the occupied territories," said the source, who requested anonymity.

Egypt today deplored the US decision and said it weakened the world group.

Soviet Union today described the closure as a "dangerous step".

## Stay out of politics, Aquino tells Army

BAGUIO, Philippines, March 12. (Reuter): President Corazon Aquino today gave a blunt message to the Philippine military to stay out of politics and get back to fighting.

Speaking to elite officer cadets who last year rebelled against her, she called for a greater concentration on fighting skills.

"Policy is the business of the civilian authority... fighting the enemies marked out by that policy is your business," Aquino told graduating cadets who publicly backed a major coup attempt last August.

"So long as that distinction is kept in mind there will be no misunderstanding," she added.

Aquino spoke from the same podium in the Philippine Military Academy grandstand that was partly destroyed a year ago when a bomb exploded during graduation rehearsals, four days before she was to address the cadets. The blast killed four people, including two officers.

Aquino at that time called it an assassination attempt.

Her speech today continually underlined the need to sharpen the skills and fighting spirit of what is widely seen as the least professional Army in Asia.

The socio-economic conditions that the military says must also be tackled to defeat the 19-year-old communist insurgency was the business of the civilian government, she declared.

"There is no substitute for fighting. I don't want soldiers pushing papers, I want them pushing the enemy around," Aquino said.

## Bhopal trial

BHOPAL, India, March 12. (Reuter): The former chairman of Union Carbide Corporation and eight others failed to appear in court today to face homicide charges arising from the 1984 Bhopal disaster.

More than 2,500 people died and 200,000 were injured in the world's worst industrial accident when deadly methyl isocyanate gas leaked from a Union Carbide pesticide plant in this central Indian city.

## Italy plunges into sudden crisis as Goria resigns

ROME, March 12. (Reuter): Prime Minister Giovanni Goria has resigned for the third time in less than eight months, plunging Italy into a sudden and complex government crisis.

Goria, a Christian Democrat who led Italy's 47th government since World War Two and also became the country's youngest post-war prime minister, had been expected to resign next week to clear the way for a more solidly-based government.

But yesterday he declared bitterly that his position had become untenable following a bitter argument among Italy's coalition of Christian Democrats, Socialists, Social Democrats, Republicans and Liberals over nuclear power policy.

"We had envisaged a well-balanced itinerary to

everybody's interests and in Italy's international interests," Goria said after offering his resignation to President Francesco Cossiga.

"Things have turned out differently from what we imagined and this itinerary has now become impossible."

Goria said a scheduled Spanish-Italian summit in Turin next Tuesday and Wednesday would go ahead unless Spain objected.

Republican Regional Affairs Minister Aristide Gunnella and Liberal Defence Minister Valerio Zanone both said Goria's resignation was caused by a tough Socialist statement attacking his decision to Thursday to complete a nuclear power plant.

Republican Senate President Giovanni Spadolini said after a meeting with Goria: "It will be up

to the political parties to evaluate the situation which nonetheless seems to me to be more complicated today than it was yesterday."

Goria, 56, a political newcomer, will arrive in Athens two days after Papandreu, leader of the ruling Panhellenic Socialist Union, Pasok, was bitterly attacked by opposition leaders in a stormy session in Parliament for allegedly abandoning Cyprus to the rapprochement with Turkey.

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## Sixth Food and Agriculture Exhibition opens 60 companies taking part

By Jadranka Porter

OLD bedouin food recipes have made their way via the modern food producing factories onto the Kuwaiti market and are proving to be an instant hit.

One of these is dry yoghurt produced and marketed by the Kuwaiti Danish Dairy. Theyoghurt which resembles biscuits first produced barely a month ago was displayed at the Sixth Food and Agriculture Exhibition opened yesterday at the Mishref Fair Grounds by Ahmed Al Naqeeb, the deputy director for technical affairs at Kuwait's Public Authority for Agriculture and Fishing.

Within hours scores of packets were snatched by Kuwaiti visitors.

## Dry yoghurt

The KDD is one of the 60 companies taking part in the show, an annual event aimed at promoting locally grown food. Several food exporters to Kuwait from Hungary and Bulgaria are also set up stands at the exhibition.

The KDD executive manager Maritti Yli-Seppala said dry yoghurt used to be made by bedouins who fermented the milk mixed it with grain meal

### Sheikh Sabah meetings

ACTING Premier and Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah Al Ahmed received at his office at the Foreign Ministry the preacher of the Jerusalem-based Al Aqsa mosque Sheikh Hamed Al Bitawi who is currently visiting Kuwait at the head of a delegation from occupied Palestine.

Discussions at the meeting dealt with the Palestinian uprising in the occupied territories and the brutal and repressive practices of the Zionist enemy against the Palestinians.

Sheikh Sabah also received Interior Minister, Sheikh Salem Al Sabah on the occasion of his return from abroad, Minister of State for Cabinet Affairs Rashed Abdul Aziz Al Rashed who introduced to him the director general of the Public Authority for Agriculture and Fisheries Sheikh Ibrahim Al Duaij Al Sabah on the occasion of his promotion.

He also received Minister of Public Works Abdul Rahman Ibrahim Al Houti.

Sheikh Sabah then presided over a meeting of the Supreme Council for Planning at which a number of issues on agenda were discussed.

### Registration of students

DR Mustafa Maarafi, the Dean of Registration and Admissions at Kuwait University, said the registration office is using a system that will allow students to register for their courses at the Khaldiya Campus at the designated time and pay for their fees at the same time.

He added that all current students would be allowed to register for the summer semester with a maximum of four credit hours except students of the Medical Science Centre who would be allowed a maximum of seven credit hours.

Dr Maarafi said registration for the summer semester began on Saturday.

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and made small biscuit-like cakes which they placed on tents to dry. The product is extremely nutritious, he said.

The company is displaying 24 varieties of dairy products, 53 varieties of ice cream and seven types of cheese, said George Samuel, the KDD sales promotion officer.

## Opportunity

The exhibition is an ideal opportunity for a dialogue between the customers and producers, said Yli-Seppala. The Kuwait Agriculture Company, a 20-year-old firm which both produces and imports food is hoping to gain publicity from the show, according to the company's head of marketing research, Khalid Sabri.

The firm is a well known supplier to cooperative societies, supermarkets and hotels.

Hungovis, Hungarian poultry producing company, is taking part in the show hoping to gain an edge over their competitors from Brazil, Holland, Denmark and France, according to Sandor Kiss. But among their strongest competitors are the Kuwaiti companies led by the Kuwait United Poultry.

The KUP joined hands with three other local companies

producing fish, vegetables and meat to set up a large stand reminiscent of the traditional Arsh souk.

The firm displayed live, fresh and frozen chickens. Mohamed Al Thwaini of KUP is particularly proud of the company's products from chickens fed with corn only and the new flavouring products.

Al Naqeeb expressed happiness over increasing production of several vegetables, fruits, egg and chicken.

He noted that locally produced chicken and eggs meet 40 to 45 per cent of Kuwait's demand.

## Impression

The exhibition hall is neatly laid out but a casual visitor is left with an impression that more imaginative displays would have been more effective. Food items are too often just piled up and some participants appeared to have little more to show than empty counters and a few posters. A visitor complained that apart from some sheep and chickens there was little else to justify the agricultural part of the show's title.

The organisers are hoping for a large public turn out at the show which ends next Saturday.



Ahmed Al Naqeeb (third left) admires some indoor plants displayed at the exhibition.

(Photo by Javed Basra).

## Kuwait, Egypt exchange views on different matters

CAIRO, March 12. (Kuna): Kuwaiti Ambassador to Egypt Abdul Razzaq Al Kanderi today said Kuwaiti-Egyptian ties have developed and there are no reservations on cooperation between the two countries in any way.

In an interview with Kuna, the Kuwaiti diplomat added that Cairo and Kuwait maintain consultations and exchange opinions over different matters including that concerning bilateral, Arab, regional or international relations.

Al Kanderi pointed out that Kuwaiti-Egyptian relations are characterised by clear goals.

Such distinctive relations, he added, are crystallised in the exchange of visits between senior officials from the two countries as well as delegations at different levels and in many fields, in addition to the participation in activities and conferences held in any of the two countries over issues concerning bilateral or Arab relations.

He referred to Kuwait's participation in the 11th conference of Islamic Researches Centre held here recently, in addition to the Arab investment gathering due to be held here on Sunday including a number of Kuwaiti economic figures.

The Kuwaiti ambassador pointed to the established cooperation between the Kuwait Fund for Arab Economic Development and Egypt, noting that the fund is financing and implementing different projects in Egypt. Al Kanderi also mentioned that there is bilateral cooperation in the field of education, economy and health.

The Kuwaiti diplomat told Kuna that Kuwait has no reservations over cooperation with Egypt and the best proof in the informational field for example is the near opening of an office for Kuwait News Agency (Kuna) here.

### 3m visited Jahra health centres last year

THE head of the Jahra Health Centres Abdulla Al Dhuwaihi said that about three million visits were made to health centres in the Jahra Governorate last year, although only 236,000 persons are registered in these centres.

Al Dhuwaihi explained that patients from other areas go to the Jahra centres for treatment in addition to many people in the area who will go to two or more centres in a day claiming the medicine is ineffective from one centre or another.

Health centres in Jahra do not have enough doctors or ambulances, Dr Dhuwaihi said, adding that since area centres do not open on holidays, many people rush to the main health complex for treatment.

Dr Dhuwaihi requested Kuwait's Health Ministry to provide more dentists and nurses for the Main Health Centre in Jahra.

### Restrictions on foreign medical treatment

KUWAIT'S Public Health Ministry Undersecretary Dr Nael Al Naqib said the ministry's new regulations regarding medical treatment abroad will restrict the number of patients who receive this service.

He added that the ministry submits a budget every year which includes the allocated amount for foreign medical treatment. This budget is insufficient, he said, and will not even cover the most serious cases which cannot be treated in Kuwait.

Al Naqib said that many patients use personal influence with the ministry to receive treatment abroad and some physicians use their influence to make this treatment possible for their patients.

He said patients who need treatment abroad should be referred to a medical committee which would then refer the case to the ministry undersecretary for approval. He added that

patients would be able to appeal their cases to the Health Minister if they felt they were treated unfairly.

Heart surgery for children, back and brain surgery are types of treatment that need to be done abroad, he said, but instead people who do not even need such treatment are sent.

### Indian envoy meets Sharhan

THE Ambassador of India in Kuwait, N. N. Jha, yesterday called on Kuwait's Communications Minister, Abdulla Al Sharhan.

The ambassador introduced the chairman of Telecommunications Consultants (India) Ltd, V. L. Agarwal, who had accompanied him on the visit to the minister.

## ROYAL COURT

### Amiri audience

HH the Amiri yesterday received acting Premier and Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah Al Ahmed.

### Cable of thanks

HH the Crown Prince and Prime Minister Sheikh Saad Al Abdullah Al Sabah yesterday received a cable from participants of the Islamic Broadcasting Organisation, which concluded its 8th session here recently.

The cable extended thanks and appreciation to Kuwait for hosting the conference and providing the facilities which contributed to the meeting's success.

It also praised the Kuwaiti government's role in boosting Islamic solidarity and achieving the Islamic nation's goals.

Sheikh Saad also sent a reply, wishing the organisation success in realising its goals.

## KUWAIT PRESS DIGEST

### Reviving nationalist spirit

A KUWAITI daily yesterday hailed Iraq's moves towards achieving peace based on might and said that Baghdad fought the Arabs a lesson in restoring rights.

Al Qabas said that "today we know how much we went astray when we depended on others rather than ourselves to restore our usurped rights in Palestine."

Iraq strongly advocated its peace offer and showed Iran that its shelling of Iraqi cities will only entail destruction of Iranian cities topped by the capital, Tehran, the paper noted.

It added that the world, which respects the strong, has quickly moved to end the war of the cities following Iraq's decisive retaliation of Iran's attacks on civilian targets.

According to the daily, the Gulf war has contributed to reviving the Arab nationalist spirit and "restored our sense of power which we have missed since a long time ago."

The war has furthermore revived the spirit of combat in the Arab body that had slackened, Al Qabas said and concluded by expressing hope that one day the Iraqi might will be directed toward supporting the fateful battle in Palestine.

## Duaij for Oman to attend FAO meeting

THE board chairman and director general of the Public Authority for Agriculture and Fisheries Sheikh Ibrahim Al Duaij Al Sabah left yesterday for Muscat to attend the 19th Near East regional conference of the Food and Agriculture Organisation which opens there tomorrow.

Among the pressing issues the five-day conference will look into, is the food security situation in the region and the difficulties facing the development plans of the countries of the region in that sector, Duaij told Kuna on departure.

Other topics including transfer of manpower in the agricultural sector — which does not concern Kuwait who relies on imported manpower, fishing at high seas and the effects of the use of energy in agriculture, will also be tackled, he added.

### Overcome

But Kuwait is more concerned with the question of fish wealth, which is viewed here as one of the important sources of wealth for the country, Duaij said.

Sheikh Duaij said his delegation will present two workpapers to the conference, one on the present situation in agriculture and food and the efforts Kuwait is exerting in these two fields and the other on the fish wealth in the country.

The top Kuwaiti official expressed high hopes in the ability of the conference, which is held once every two years, to come out with recommendations and resolutions on how best to overcome the obstacles and shortcomings in agriculture and fish resources in addition to food security.

The GCC ministers responsible for agriculture with whom Duaij will meet in Muscat, will hold their conference in April to discuss the agricultural policy in the region.

### Flag hoisting ceremony

A FLAG hoisting ceremony on the occasion of Pakistan's National Day will be held at 9 am on March 23 at the chancery of the Pakistan embassy. All Pakistanis in Kuwait are invited to attend.

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Parents blamed for neglecting their offspring

# Child abuse increasing alarmingly

By Fatima Ahmed

CHILD abuse, virtually unknown 20 years ago, not only exists now but is increasing at an alarming rate due to rapid modernisation and gaining of wealth.

Doctors in Kuwait are concerned about the rising number of battered children admitted to hospitals and are now lobbying for the setting up of a society for prevention of cruelty to children.

"Child abuse, unfortunately, exists in Kuwait and is getting a wider diameter," says a leading Kuwaiti paediatrician Dr Abdulla Rashid. He called for "strict penalties" for child abusers.

Dr. Rashid, who is the president of the Kuwait Medical Association and an Assistant Undersecretary of the Ministry of Health, is lobbying for the setting up of a society for the prevention of cruelty to children.

**Linkage**

"We have seen death occur due to severe forms of abuse and battering," he stated.

The battered child syndrome is widely prevalent in the West and associated with economic social pressure. In Kuwait, it has just begun to raise its ugly face and exists in high society families, mainly due to negligence of parents who rely heavily on maids for child care, Rashid added.

"This was never the case before," he said. "Now due to so-called prosperity we are identifying a large number of child abuse cases," said Rashid.

Children are being "physically and emotionally abused and are suffering 'psychiatric maladjustments' largely due to an



Dr N.V. Doraiswamy: look for suspect cases



Dr Abdullah Rashid: call for law to protect children

"unhealthy linkage between the parents and children," he explains, blaming parents for neglecting their offspring.

"Emotional deprivation is the main cause of maladjusted children," says Rashid.

Rashid explains: "Mothers leave their children in the care of the baby sitters and maids. This total dependence on others for child care has created some sort of want in the normal relationship between mother and child."

Rashid warns if the situation is not controlled then "one day it might destroy the life of an unfortunate child."

**Pressure**

The absence of love, tenderness and emotional deprivation has led to psychological problems.

"It seems children now prefer the company of maids and depend on foreigners rather than their mother for their emotional needs," he claims.

Physical abuse has been

noticed in the form of cigarette burns on a child's body, feeding Chlorox with milk causing ulceration and burning the mucous membrane; burns caused by hot iron rods and bruises caused by beating. Drug abuse, says Dr Rashid, is one of the results of child abuse.

"To keep a child out of their way maids give children cough mixture and analgesics usually prescribed to the mother, thus causing dependence on drugs," asserts Dr Rashid.

Dr N.V. Doraiswamy, a consultant paediatric surgeon at the Ibn Sina Hospital, agreeing with Dr Rashid, adds: "A problem between the employer and a maid could lead to pressure. One way of expressing anger would be to maltreat employer's children."

A 12-month-old baby was treated for urinary infection for over six months when doctors at Ibn Sina discovered the presence of two sewing needles on the left

side of the lower abdomen. "A child itself can't insert a needle. It must have been done by an adult. Doctors must be aware of such conditions so that they can identify suspect cases," says Doraiswamy.

Like Dr Rashid, Doraiswamy insists "steps must be taken now to prevent the spread of the problem."

"Nobody suspects abuse; so no one looks for it," Doraiswamy says.

Doctors are being urged to look for "injuries that don't fit the clinical history given by adults."

**Cauterisation**

Sexual abuse of children, they claim, does not exist mainly due to religious and social factors governing the society. "Nobody does such things in Kuwait," claims Doraiswamy.

Cauterisation, using hot rods to cure an illness, a practice common among bedouins, is an "unpardonable form of battering," says Dr Rashid.

"It is a fallacy that cauterisation cures disease. That form of treatment may actually cause more complications," says Rashid.

**Penalties**

He has called for "strict penalties" for child abusers, urging the government to enact a law to punish them. "We must identify the people who abuse children and mete out severe punishment to discourage would-be abusers," he asserts.

The society for the prevention of cruelty to children is still an idea that is being supported by several paediatricians and leading Kuwaiti personalities.

Rashid says if such a society is formed it would be possible to punish offenders," says Rashid.

In the meantime, Rashid suggests radical changes in society; more responsible parents; less dependence on maids and careful handling of the problem.

"The problem of child abuse and battering must be handled cautiously and delicately with major responsibility on those who care for our kids," says Rashid.

**Bond**

Rashid advocates breast feeding as a means of "creating a closer bond between mother and child."

He suggested that parents must "screen maids and evaluate her background, mental and physical health and linguistic capability" before employing her at home.

"Our kids are growing up without learning Arabic," he complains.

Child abuse in the Arab world was discussed at a recent symposium organised by the Arab Medical Society with doctors urging better treatment of children, particularly those looked after by maids.

In a paper, "Child Abuse in Kuwait", published by the Kuwait Medical Association, Dr Sylva Shuaiber, another paediatrician, wrote: "The condition is known in Arab countries but is not taken seriously ... and traceable back to the stepmothers."

There are no statistics to show the prevalence of child abuse and the battered child syndrome in Kuwait but doctors like Rashid believe that the "incidence is rising."

"It can be minimised by creating awareness among parents and by enforcing strict punishments for abusers," says Rashid.



The Undersecretary of Kuwait's Information Ministry, Abdul Aziz Al Jaafar (left), yesterday met with the chairman of the Arab World Institute based in Paris, (second, left). Other officials attended the meeting.

## Arab World Institute chief visits Kuwait

**INFORMATION** Undersecretary Abdulla Aziz Jaafar met yesterday with president of the Paris-based Arab World Institute (AWI) Paul Cartonne.

Cartonne, who arrived here yesterday on a three-day visit to the country, will also be meeting HH the Amir, acting Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah in addition to several ministers.

In his meeting with Jaafar, the French pro-Arab leader discussed the activities of AWI and its role in enhancing cultural and arts links between France and the Arab countries.

The French visitor will hold a press conference here tomorrow to brief the media on the activities of his organisation.

AWI was officially opened two months ago. Kuwait was a major donor of the project which took many years before it became a reality.

## Seats abroad for dentistry students

**WASHINGTON**, March 12, (Kuna): A meeting of two Kuwaiti Education Ministry officials, an official from the Ministry of Health and 16 deans of Medical Colleges in the US and Canada took place recently in March 10.

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## WHAT'S ON

## MUSIC

## Piano Concert

Well-known pianist Ramzi Yassa will give a recital on Tuesday, March 15, at the Kuwait Sheraton's Hotel, Ballroom A. Yassa's repertoire ranges from Bach to Berg and includes works by Beethoven, Chopin, Liszt, Ravel and Mozart.

## Rock 'n' Romance

Kuwaiti Players present Rock 'n' Romance, a rock show with a romantic touch, directed by June Stevenson and Phil Thomas, who last year presented the highly successful Rock Me Amadeus, featuring music by Mozart. This year's concert titled "Rock 'n' Romance" features Chopin's music.

"A careful selection of rock songs and the music of Chopin will give the show a romantic touch," said Phil Thomas.

June Stevenson will play three well-known piano pieces by Chopin and sing several songs including Candle in the Wind, MacArthur Park and Flashdance. She will also sing choreographed rock songs. Des Cross, a well-known singer in British musical circuses, returns to the stage after a brief absence. Des will perform a selection of songs featuring extracts from the rock opera Tommy by The Who.

A classic rock number, sung by Phil Thomas, promises to give a dramatic start to the concert. The six-member band will give a fuller sound "to give the songs a truer reproduction". The band features Ammar Al Binny, Brian Mitchelson, Alex

Heynes and Malcolm Macdonald; all are experienced performers having performed in Jukebox 4.

Phil Thomas says: "attention has been given to the staging and lighting to give the songs a more visual impact and create the atmosphere of a rock concert."

The show opens on Sunday, March 20, at the Regency Palace Hotel and runs for five nights. (For reservations see What's On).

## CINEMA

## British Council

*Little Lord Fauntleroy* is the title of this month's film for children. It is a heart-warming story of eight year old Cddie, whose happy life with his widowed American mother is transformed when he becomes Little Lord Fauntleroy. It will be shown on March 16, 6 pm and March 17, 10.30 am.

This month's feature film for adults is entitled *The Emerald Forest*. The production by John Boorman is the mystical story of a young white boy spirited away by a tribe and then initiated into manhood and full membership. Elements of magic, fantasy, myth and anthropological fact are introduced in this story. This film will be shown at 6.30 pm on March 19 and 20.

Admission free but it is advisable to make reservations. Tel: 2515512.

## SOCIAL

## Contact

The next meeting of the ladies information group, SAS, contact, will be held on Saturday, March 19, at 10 am at the SAS Hotel, Newcomer to Kuwait are particularly welcome. For details phone 3949807; 434513; 5383999.

## Daniella

The '88 Revue will be performed at the Gazzelle Club on March 17 at 7.30 pm. It is the major family event of the year. Don't leave children at home. For reservations contact Connie 3947693; Annette 3903480 before March 15.

## Luncheon Party

Friends of Great Ormond Street Hospital Lunch will be held on March 17, 1.30 pm, at Messiah Beach Hotel. For reservations contact 4831339; 5636675.

## EDUCATION

## Open-Evening

There will be an open evening on March 15, 5-8 pm, at the British Council in Mansoura for anyone interested in studying Business Administration, Management and Finance in Britain. A wide range of information will be on display with details of courses to suit both students and professionals. (Note: If either date is declared a public holiday then its alternative date will be on March 16). For details phone 2515512.

## SPORTS

## Sports Festival for Children

A sports festival for Bangladeshi children will be held on April 8. For details contact 4840759; 4710306; 5716586. All Bangladeshi children are welcome.

## Kuwait Rally

The 1988 Kuwait International Rally will be held on March 17 and 18. The rally starts on Thursday (March 17) at 1 pm from the SAS Hotel car park, and the first night's action will be in the Jabra/Doha areas. Main Control will be at Entertainment City, and the cars can be seen there between 4.30 pm and 6 pm. The cars return to SAS at 10 pm, and the rally resumes at 9 am the next morning. Stages will be in the Maqwa and Sulaihiya areas and the cars can be seen at Main Control from 12.30 pm. The rally finish is at the SAS Hotel at 5.15 pm.

## Cricket Match

The BA Speedbird Trophy Cricket match between teams representing Great Britain and India will take place on March 15 at the KOC, Ahmad, new ground. Play commences at 9.30 am. All are welcome.

## GOING PLACES

## Rock show with a romantic touch

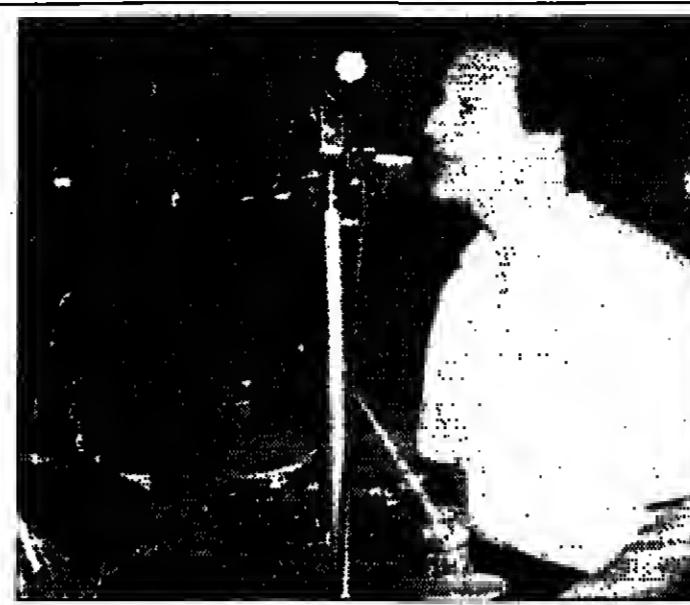


June Stevenson: rehearsing a song for the concert

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Phil Thomas: playing the drums



Malcolm: concentrates on a musical note

## KCC holds concert

THE Kuwait Cultural Centre (KCC) last week held an informal concert featuring music by Handel, Brahms, Beethoven, Paganini and Tchaikovsky. Local performers took part in the "informal evening" as part of efforts to promote music.

The performers played before a select audience, entertaining them with Handel's 3 Sonata No. 1, A-Major and Brahms' Hungarian Dance. The string quartet played music by David Stone, Tchaikovsky's Andante Cantabile and Beethoven's Quartet op. 18 No. 1. The performers were Syunichi Kimura, viola; Pshamek Niedzwiecki, violin; Cesary Owerowicz, piano; Mrs. Frida Strange, violin cello and Dragan Marovic, violin, tea-cher at the centre.



Pianist Cesary performing a number.



The Vice-President of Maridien for the Middle East area, Rudolph Jurek, is on a brief familiarisation visit to Kuwait. A special luncheon party was held by the management of Kuwait Maridien Hotel to welcome Jurek. Picture shows Jurek with Kuwait Maridien's General Manager Andreas Mattmuller and other hotel executives.

## Russian flavour

## World Service Visits Moscow

The World Service has a Russian flavour this week with both live and recorded programmes coming from Moscow and conveying a little of the atmosphere of Mr Gor

bachev's Soviet Union. Amongst other programmes relaying the flavour of Soviet life will be John Peel, focusing on the Russian approach to rock music, and the Science Unit's Discovery, featuring Russian space and astronomy research. (March 15, 0630 hrs; 31.35m; March 17, 1130 hrs; 227 MW; March 18, 1630 hrs; 212 MW)

Play of the Week: Remembrance

I've met a nice man, a good

man. We're both widowed, we've both lost a son. We've our suffering in common. It brought us together. Theresa and Bert, both in their 60s, drawn together by the troubles in Northern Ireland, find their families don't share their feelings of happiness. Theresa is a Catholic and Bert a Protestant and their children can't forget that. (March 13, 1430 hrs; 16.59 m)

## CINEMA TODAY

## Al Andalus

The Monster Shark

Starring: Valentine, Michelle

## Al Hamra

## Al Mal'oub (Arabic)

Starring: Mahmood

Yaseen, Imaan

## Drive-In

Shahab Fi Al Jaheim (Arabic)

Starring: Mamdouh Abdul

Alim, Mirvat Ameen

## Al Firdous

## Maang Bharo Sajna (Hindi)

Starring: Jeeendra, Rekha,

Moushumi

## Fahaseel Open-Air

## Mere Hamdam Mere Dost

(Hindi)

## Al Fahaseel

## Irupatham (Malayalam)

Nontlandu

## Al Jahra

## Kirayedaar (Hindi)

## Granada

## Hifazat (Hindi)

## Salabikhata

## Hanna K.

## Al Jleeb

## Oridatbu (Malayalam)

## Ahmadi Drive-In

## Seven Brides for Seven

Brothers

## PRAYERS

## Fajr

4.40 am

## Zuhr

11.57

## Asr

3.22 pm

## Maghreb

5.56

## Isha

7.12

## NIGHT CHEMIST

## Kuwait

## Al Shaab Pharmacy

Fahd Al Salim St.

## Al Loola Pharmacy

Dr. Dasman Complex,

Ahmad Al Jaber St.

## Hawalli and Nugra

Al Sabah Pharmacy

Othman St.

## Salmiya and Rumaihiya

Al Raed Pharmacy

Amman St.

## Fahaseel and Ahmadi

Al Bastoor Pharmacy

Qais Al Gharem St., Dabous St., F'heel

## Khaitan

Al Ahram Pharmacy

Sulaiman Saleh Al

Rahemani Bldg. Block 2,

Old Khaitan

## Jahra

Al Noor Pharmacy

Ahmad Aziz Nasrullah

Bldg., Matfa St.

## TELEVISION PROGRAMMES

## KTV 1

## 2.15 Hnly Quran

## 2.30 World News Via

## Satellite

## 3.30 Ibtal Al Ma'lach: car-

## toons

## 4.00 News Summary

## 4.05 Magazine D'Actu-

## alite

## 4.25 Ghadab Al Sahra:

## part six of Arabic

## serial; starring Abdul

## Rahman Al Rish,

## Sahar Rami, Talhat

## Hamdi

## 5.30 Al Mahanal: chil-

## dren's serial, featuring

## Amal Dabbas,

## Tayseer Attiya,

## Rabe'a Shihab.

## 6.00 Songs and Music

## 7.00 News Summary

## 7.05 Documentary

## 7.30 Diwaniyat Shura Al

## Nah: poetry sesssion

## 8.15 Good Evening and

## Local News

## 9.00 News in Arabic

## 9.50 Suraq Al Simt: part

## 12; Arabic serial,

## featuring Sana Jamil,

## Hamdi Ghabit,

## Anwar Ismael, Mimi

## Jamal, Ahmad Badr.

## 10.50 Variety Show featur-

## ARAB TIMES

Thought for today

LOVE truth, but pardon error — Voltaire, French writer (1694-1778).

## Shamir playing for more time

By Paul Taylor

TEL AVIV, (Reuter): Israel's Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir is playing for time.

Beso by a Palestinian uprising in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip and a US peace initiative on the future of the riot-torn territories unacceptable to his right-wing Likud bloc, he is stalled.

"Why should Israel be first to say no?" one of the premier's close advisers said.

Aides and political analysts say Shamir hopes his Arab adversaries, and if necessary Israeli voters, will save him from having to make the unpalatable concessions outlined in US Secretary of State George Shultz's Middle East peace plan.

In the past week, Shamir has refused a quick answer to the American proposals, blocked an inner-cabinet vote on the plan and rejected talks on an early general election to break Israel's political deadlock.

He has postponed everything until after he returns from what seem certain to be tough talks with President Reagan and Shultz next week.

## Opposers

"Yitzhak Shamir is not interested in appearing in Washington as the prime minister who rejected the American initiative," said the independent daily *Ha'aretz*.

"He does not want Israel to jump to the head of the opposers. He wants to leave this honour in the hands of King Hussein of Jordan," it said.

However Shamir has made clear his hostility to key elements of the plan — an international conference to open Arab-Israeli negotiations, an accelerated timetable for Palestinian self-rule in the occupied territories and early talks on the final status of the areas.

Even if he were inclined to accept some of Shultz's ideas for the sake of Israel's \$3 billion-a-year friendship with Washington, aides say it would be a disaster for Shamir to risk splitting Likud's electorate in a general election year.

His right-wing rivals, Trade and Industry Minister Ariel Sharon and Housing Minister David Levy, lie in wait, ready to

## Writing on West Bank walls

## Guide to political happenings

By Nicholas B. Tatro

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM, (AP): Graffiti, the ubiquitous wall writing spray painted on mosques, schools and shops, is a guide to political happenings in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

From the Mount of Olives in Occupied Jerusalem to the farmlands of Gaza, the walls are a hulking hoard for political groups to proclaim their ideologies and issue public appeals.

"Let the Gaza Strip be in flames for Shultz," said a wall in Gaza City shortly before the recent Middle East shuttle of US secretary of State George P. Shultz.

A slogan in black paint on the wall of the Beit Al May refugee camp in the West Bank declared: "Disgrace will face collaborators. Glory to our heroic martyrs."

It was signed by the United National Leadership of the Uprising, a name used by supporters of Yasser Arafat's Palestine Liberation Organisation.

## Religious

A more religious tone was struck nearby. "Paradise for our martyrs" and "God is great. Victory to Islam."

This was signed by Hamas, Arabic for zeal, the signature of the Muslim Brotherhood, a fundamentalist Sunni Muslim group that opposes PLO support for a negotiated settlement.

"Islam is the solution and the alternative," said a slogan signed by the "Islamic Resistance," also believed to be the work of Muslim Brotherhood.

In travels through the occupied territories, a reporter saw other wall declarations signed by "Shabab," George Habash's Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, and "Democracy," Nafeh Hawat-

pounce on any softening in the premier's position.

Some analysts say Shamir may be stalling peace moves to give the Army time to put down the Palestinian uprising by force, although this has failed for the last 13 weeks.

The analysts say Shamir, a tactician rather than an innovator, has at least three other grounds for buying time:

• A united Arab rejection of the US plan, already attacked by Syria and the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO), would greatly ease American and world pressure on him and on Israel.

• A continued deadlock at home could force Foreign Minister Shimon Peres to lead his Labour Party out of the government, leaving Likud at the helm before a general election.

• With signs that the mood in Israel is swinging to the right in reaction to the Palestinian unrest, Shamir stands to gain by delaying an election at least until the summer.

## Election

Likud hopes to benefit from the addition of 18-year-old first-time voters on the electoral roll in July, according to opinion polls which show the shift to conservative nationalism is strongest among young people.

Shamir has authorised a Likud member of parliament, David Magen, to submit a private member's bill to hold elections on July 29, a date unacceptable to Labour, many of whose middle-class voters would be out of Israel on summer vacation.

Peres would prefer an election earlier, preferably in May, but has neither the parliamentary majority to force one nor the nerve to walk out of the government, political sources say.

The Labour-movement daily newspaper *Davar* commented: "The head of half the government (Shamir) is trying to buy time, but this profit is really a loss. Israel has already paid a high price for this sort of profit in the past."

The paper warned that the passage of time would make Arabs no more inclined to accept the status quo. Israeli society no less bitterly divided, and the demographic explosion in the occupied territories no less pressing.

As a result, Secretary of State George Shultz, in the midst of a long-shot attempt to revive the Arab-Israeli peace process, saw his chances of talking to Arabs — and particularly the Palestinian Arabs — diminish.

Clovis Maksoud, representative of the Arab League — of which the PLO is a member — described the timing of the decision as "a gift for (Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak) Shamir."

Shamir, due to arrive in Washington tomorrow to give his answer to Shultz's peace proposals, has said Israel would

On the Mount of Olives, writing on a wall declared "Palestinian-Arab solidarity lives on."

## Slogan

This slogan is a rarity because sentiment in the West Bank and Gaza has been strongly against Arabs.

The feeling is that Arab states have failed to support the rebellion against Israeli occupation and some, notably Jordan, fear that the revolutionary fervour will cross its borders.

Some wall-writing has called for specific action, such as ones in Gaza that demanded the resignation of Arab tax collectors.

"Arab employees of the income tax and value added department must resign. Otherwise we will..." said the warning in downtown Gaza City.

Forty tax workers quit their jobs as directed, and new graffiti written in blue spray paint replaced the old: "Yes, yes for our honourable brothers in resigning from the tax department."

Investments

"From the past 40 years of economic, political, and other development on Taiwan," President Lee said, "we learn that the truly most appropriate political ideology is not socialism, and it is not communism, but rather a free and democratic society.... The faster we progress, the faster and more thoroughly we carry out our political reforms, the more the mainland will be unable to take any other direction.... A free and democratic system is what the Chinese people have been pursuing since the beginning of his rule."

President Lee fielded a battery of questions from newsmen with complete ease, never at a loss for words, but never going too far on sensitive subjects.

Taiwan's policy of the "three No's" remains firm, he said. (No contacts, no talks, and no com-

AFTER the clean sweep Vice President George Bush scored throughout the south, it will be almost impossible for Senator Dole to wrest the Republican presidential nomination from him in the remaining primaries. Bush now has the political momentum and it is hard to swim against it.

Many people are left wondering how Bush managed to win so decisively. For, after all, it was generally agreed that he lacks charisma. That he does not project being a strong leader and no vice president has managed to be elected to the presidency in almost 150 years. But it did not count against him.

The simplest answer is that he has the better organisation and more money than any other candidate. Both represent an enormous advantage. Dole did not succeed in developing an effective and efficient organisation, in fact, only 10 days ago he fired two of his principal campaign managers. And money matters, it enabled Bush to buy more television time than anybody else.

The Vice President suffered a great deal of ridicule for being so utterly loyal to President Reagan, for backing uncritically his policies and for defending him during his various crises.

## Approve

But this strategy has paid off handsomely because in the south, according to the opinion polls, more than 80 per cent of the Republican voters approve of Reagan's performance. It has also helped Bush that for some five years he has been cultivating what is called "the grassroots," the Republican organisations down to the local levels.

This enabled him not only to build up an effective organisation, but loyalty among Republican voters. Time and again he came into their districts helping to raise money for their party coffers with appearances and speeches. Now, when the time came to return his favours they did not let him down.

Senator Dole still has a slim chance to turn the tables on the vice president by winning the primary in the middle-western state of Illinois next week, and winning it convincingly, but it would give him not more than an

The viewed him as more vulnerable and easier to beat. But, as of now, none of the Democrats left in the race look particularly invincible, none are as well known as Bush and recognition does influence voting.

Among the Democrats, Governor Michael Dukakis of Massachusetts showed surprising strength in the south for a liberal from the most liberal state.

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## Lee remains firm on Taiwan's three 'No's'

promise with Beijing.) Taipei does not approve of investments in China by its citizens, he said, while implying that these investments would still go ahead. He also implied that Taipei will return to the meetings of the Asian Development Bank, of which it remains a member, even though its name has been changed, under Beijing's insistence, from the Republic of China to China.

Lee placed the onus of change in mainland-Taiwan relations on Communist China, even with its economic liberalisation, he said, Taiwan will remain concerned about its security.

The President spoke against the backdrop of a remarkable political transition taking place on Taiwan. Begun under the late President Chiang, the process is replacing authoritarian rule with greater freedom and democracy. It is also diminishing the role of mainlanders in government.

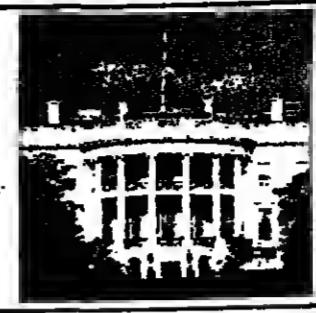
Lee, Taiwan-born and educated in Japan, Taiwan, and the US, stresses his own Chinese-ness.

"To say that because I was not born on the Chinese mainland and have not been there, I therefore do not understand the Chinese mainland, is extremely mistaken," he said.

There are, of course, sharp political differences between the

## Inside Washington

By Henry Brandon



George Bush

of the union. His strategy of targeting the votes of Catholics, Jews and senior citizens paid off.

It also helped him that he was able to address the large Spanish population, especially in Florida, in their native tongue.

They all belong to what is referred to as the new south.

Albert Gore, the Congressman from Tennessee, relied on the so-called old southern voters who tend to be more conservative and loyal to a southern candidate.

## Fight

While Dukakis sounds more like an old fashioned new dealer with the emphasis on domestic welfare issues, Gore emphasised his internationalism, the importance of arms control and the need for the United States to remain militarily strong. Dukakis outpolled Gore, but what mattered most to Gore was to elbow Richard Gephardt out of the race and in that he succeeded. Gephardt did not win a single state of his own, Missouri, and that eliminated him.

He built his campaign on a single issue, the need to impose severe protectionist limitations on imports. It is reassuring that this kind of extreme nationalism the voters rejected.

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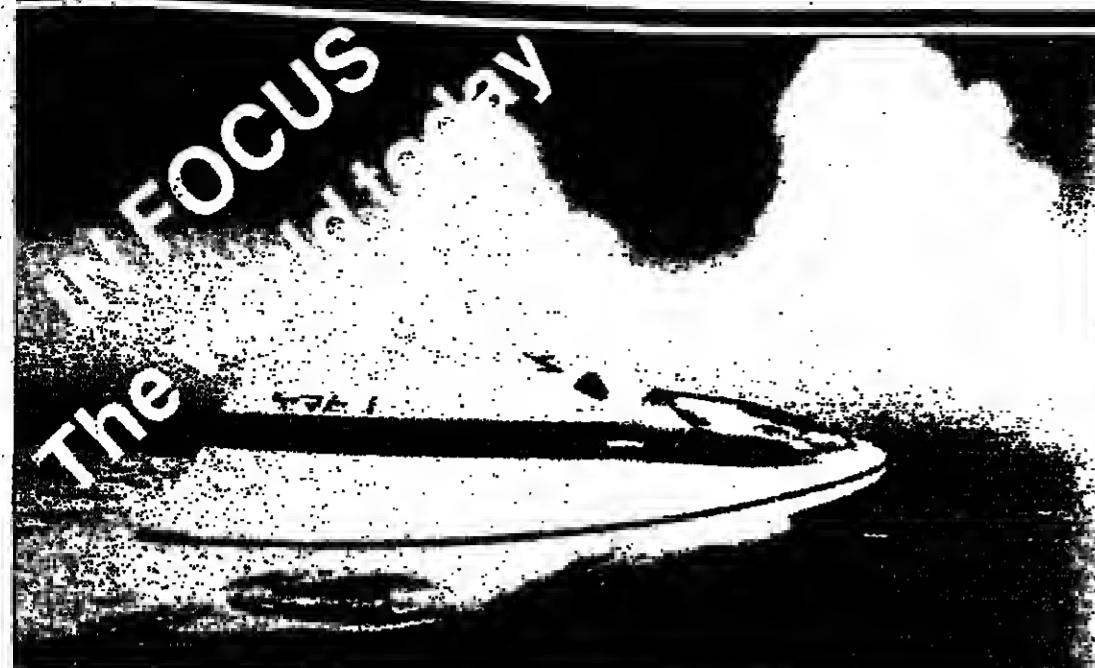
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A JAPANESE group plans to develop a new kind of ship which uses super-conducting electromagnets for propulsion rather than propellers. The private Japan Foundation for Shipbuilding Advancement said they aimed to produce a 150-tonne demonstration vessel by 1990. Photo shows an artist's representation of the craft. (Reuter wirephoto)



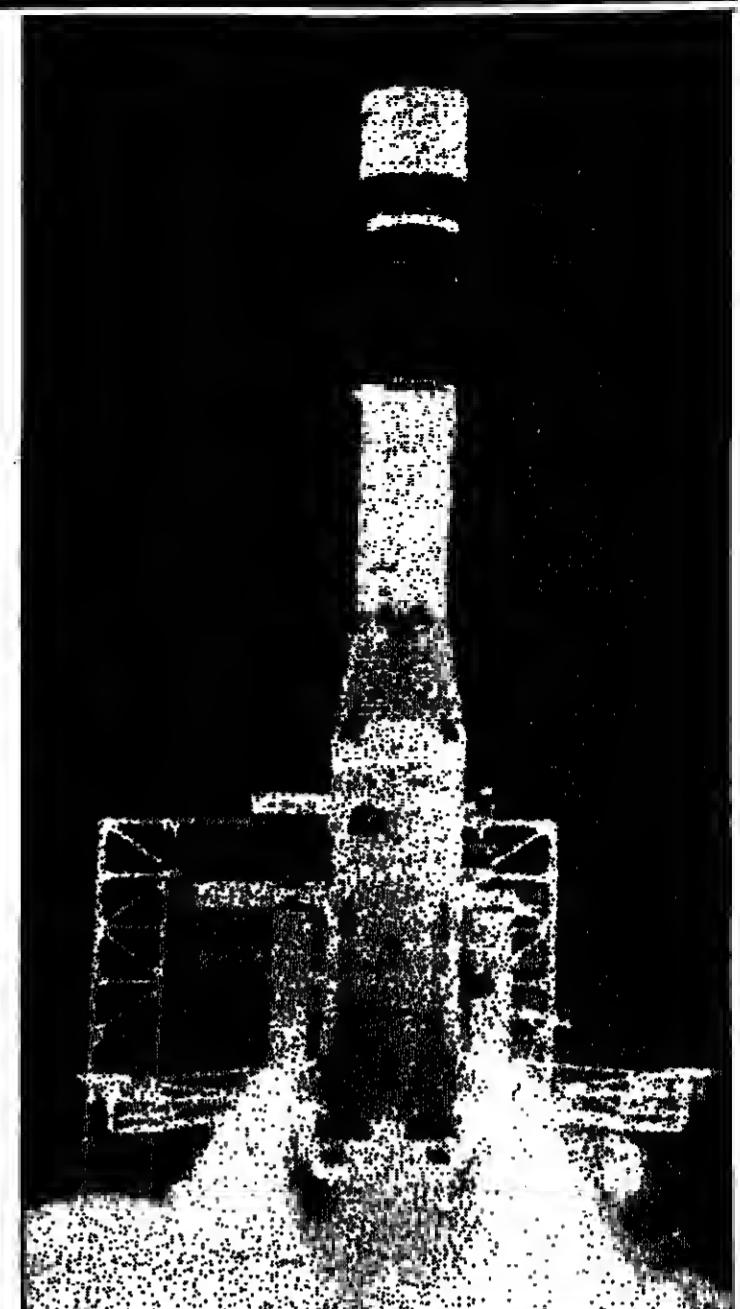
TWO Palestinians throw stones at Israeli soldiers during a demonstration on Friday in Ramallah after Friday prayers. The soldiers dispersed the demonstrators with tear gas and rubber bullets. (Reuter wirephoto)



WITH attorney Leonard Garment (right) by his side, former National Security Adviser Robert McFarlane meets with reporters outside a US District Court on Friday after pleading guilty to four criminal charges arising from his activities in the Iran-Contra scandal. Special Prosecutor Lawrence Walsh won an agreement from McFarlane to plead guilty in exchange for his testimony in the case. (Reuter wirephoto)



INDIAN Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi (centre) wearing a turban, marches along with volunteers during a re-enactment of the historic 'Dandi March' yesterday in the western Indian city of Gandhinagar. The march was originally walked by Mahatma Gandhi 58 years ago in protest of the Salt Act imposed by the British during India's struggle for independence. (Reuter wirephoto)



THE European rocket Ariane-3 blasts off from the space centre in Kourou, French Guiana yesterday. Officials called the 21st lift-off of the Ariane rocket a 'complete success.' The rocket was carrying a Telecom 1-C satellite for France Telecom and GTE Spacenet Corporation's Spacenet III-R/Geostar R01 for US domestic communications. (Reuter wirephoto)



DEMOCRATIC presidential candidate Gary Hart (top right) pauses during his speech on Friday in Denver while announcing that he is withdrawing from the race for the second time. Republican Representative Jack Kemp (bottom picture) of New York announces his withdrawal from the Republican presidential race on Thursday. (Reuter wirephoto)



PRESIDENT Corazon Aquino waves at the crowd while reviewing a line of cadets at the Philippine Military Academy in northern Baguio City yesterday. Aquino told the military in her speech to stay out of politics and get back to fighting Communist rebels and right-wing coup plotters. (Reuter wirephoto)



GOVERNOR Michael Dukakis of Massachusetts holds Kate Marley while campaigning at a Greek restaurant in Chicago on Friday. Dukakis will be trying to hold his own in the Democratic primary in Illinois, March 15 for the nomination of president from the Democratic party. Rev Jesse Jackson and Senator Paul Simon are expected to edge him out. (Reuter wirephoto)



US CITIZEN Richard Boren, 30, of Elkin, North Carolina, walks with Contra rebels on Wednesday, shortly before his release outside the Nicaraguan town of Quilalí, 100 miles from Managua. Boren, who works as a volunteer for the religious group Witness for Peace, was kidnapped along with 11 Nicaraguans on March 1 during a Contra raid on a northern Nicaraguan village. (Reuter wirephoto)



EGYPTIAN President Hosni Mubarak (left) and King Hussein of Jordan stand to attention while national anthems of both countries are played in Cairo on Friday. King Hussein, on a few hour visit, discussed the latest US Mideast peace proposals after having consulted the leaders of Syria, Iraq and Kuwait on the plan. (Reuter wirephoto)



MARIAPIA FANFANI, President of the National Women's Committee of the International Red Cross receives a kiss from a young boy during a visit to a village for orphans in Cairo on Friday. Fanfani is the wife of Amintore Fanfani, current Minister of the interior and former Prime Minister of Italy. (Reuter wirephoto)

Arrangements being made for private funeral

## Andy Gibb's death 'not suicide'

LONDON, (UPI): Funeral arrangements were pending for pop star Andy Gibb, who died of an undisclosed illness five days after his 30th birthday and at the start of a comeback bid.

Gibb shot to fame in the 1970s under the guidance of his brothers — but his career faltered amid drug abuse and emotional problems.

He signed a contract with Britain's Island Records two months ago and moved to Britain to work on a comeback album. A spokesman for Island Records said he was stricken with stomach pains Monday and hospitalized for observation.

Gibb, who turned 30 last Saturday, died at John Radcliffe Hospital in Oxford, 63 miles (101 km) northwest of London.

"I can confirm that Andy Gibb died this morning at 8:45 am," the hospital's administrator said. "At this stage I can give out no other information. The family has asked that we not give out any further information."

He said he could not immediately disclose the cause of death. "It wasn't suicide," he stressed. He was ill."

"His family has an public statement to make," the spokesman at Island Records said. "They are making private arrangements for the funeral."

Gibb had two No. 1 hits, *I Just Want To Be Your Everything* in 1977 and *Shadow Dancing* in 1978, but was unable to sustain his success.

After 1981-82, when he hosted the syndicated US television programme *Solid Gold*, Gibb's life and career succumbed in bankruptcy and drug abuse, which reportedly caused the end of a love affair with actress Victoria Principal, former star of the *Dallas* television series.

Looking for a fresh start, he signed the deal with Island Records in January and moved to Britain.

Gibb dropped out of school at 13 and later joined his brothers in Miami. He married Kim Reeder, a former receptionist in 1976 but they were divorced



Andy Gibb: became heavily involved with drugs

Andy (centre), flanked by two of his elder brothers, celebrates his performance in *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Coat*.

two years later. Gibb appeared on Broadway in *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* but missed so many performances that he was replaced.

While his older brothers Barry, Maurice and Robin

were becoming international stars in the mid-1960s with their group, the Bee Gees, Andy was in Australia, where he spent much of his youth playing in amateur bands.

The Bee Gees reached their peak in 1977 with their songs

for the score of the movie *Saturday Night Fever*, a Robert Stigwood production that brought television actor John Travolta to the big screen.

The year also marked Andy Gibb's first international success under his brothers' wing. After signing with Bee Gees manager Stigwood, he recorded his first album, *Flowing Rivers* on RSO Records Inc., under brother Barry's supervision.

The next year, brother Maurice produced Andy's *Shadow Dancing* album.

Title tracks from both albums topped the US pop charts. The brown-eyed, blond-haired singer was a big hit with teenyboppers and the disco set but once said, "I don't see myself as a teenybopper idol. I don't even like to dance."

Despite his successful solo career, Gibb never fully emerged from the shadow of his older superstar brothers, Maurice, Robin and Barry, who formed the Bee Gees.

Last year, Gibb filed a personal bankruptcy petition in Miami, claiming he had less than \$50,000 and more than \$1 million in debts.

His 1985 income was listed as \$24,727 and for 1986 only \$7,755. The court papers said his brothers owned the furniture and musical and electronic equipment in his apartment and that he was living rent-free.

In 1985, Gibb attempted to solve his drug problem with a rehabilitation programme at the Betty Ford Clinic in California.

"This is really a shock," said his Miami lawyer, John Kozyak. "The last time I saw him, he looked perfectly healthy to me. He was playing tennis."

Gibb had been living in Miami.

Gibb's manager, Robert Stigwood, said in New York he was "very sad and deeply distressed, and sorry. I have been in touch with his parents and brothers. I will miss him."

Dick Ashby, the Bee Gees' representative in Miami, said Gibb's mother, Barbara Gibb, was with him when he died.

By Jane Easterman

THE pout, the look, the expression of innocence and naughtiness still makes men see stars ... the magic of Marilyn Monroe is very much alive.

Now, 26 years after her tragic death, the Hollywood legend is sending men just as wild as she has always done.

For a doting father has recently paid a staggering £7,150 for Marilyn's blouse, buying some of its magic will rub off to make his 16-year-old daughter a star.

If ever any proof was needed, Marilyn is still the world's greatest sex symbol.

Property developer Patrick Mills said: "My girl Chantelle has got dark hair — but she has got Marilyn's figure and will look lovely in it. She wants to be an actress, dancer and singer and I thought this would be a surprise way of launching her into showbusiness."

The skimpy green blouse, adorned with black lace, was in Marilyn's bosom companion in the 1956 film, *Bus Stop*.

Despite its plunging neckline and cutie-pie puff sleeves, the estimated sale price seemed well over the top. Then a Marilyn Monroe lookalike squeezed herself into lot 269 at the Sotheby's auction in London and set pulses and bids racing.

The Monroe blouse was sold by Mrs Fulcher, a film buff who won the blouse as first prize in a competition run by Picture Show and Pictorial Magazine.

Yet it is not the first time something worn by Marilyn has gone on to reach a high price. In May 1987, a show-girl outfit also worn in the film, *Bus Stop*, was sold for a staggering £15,950.

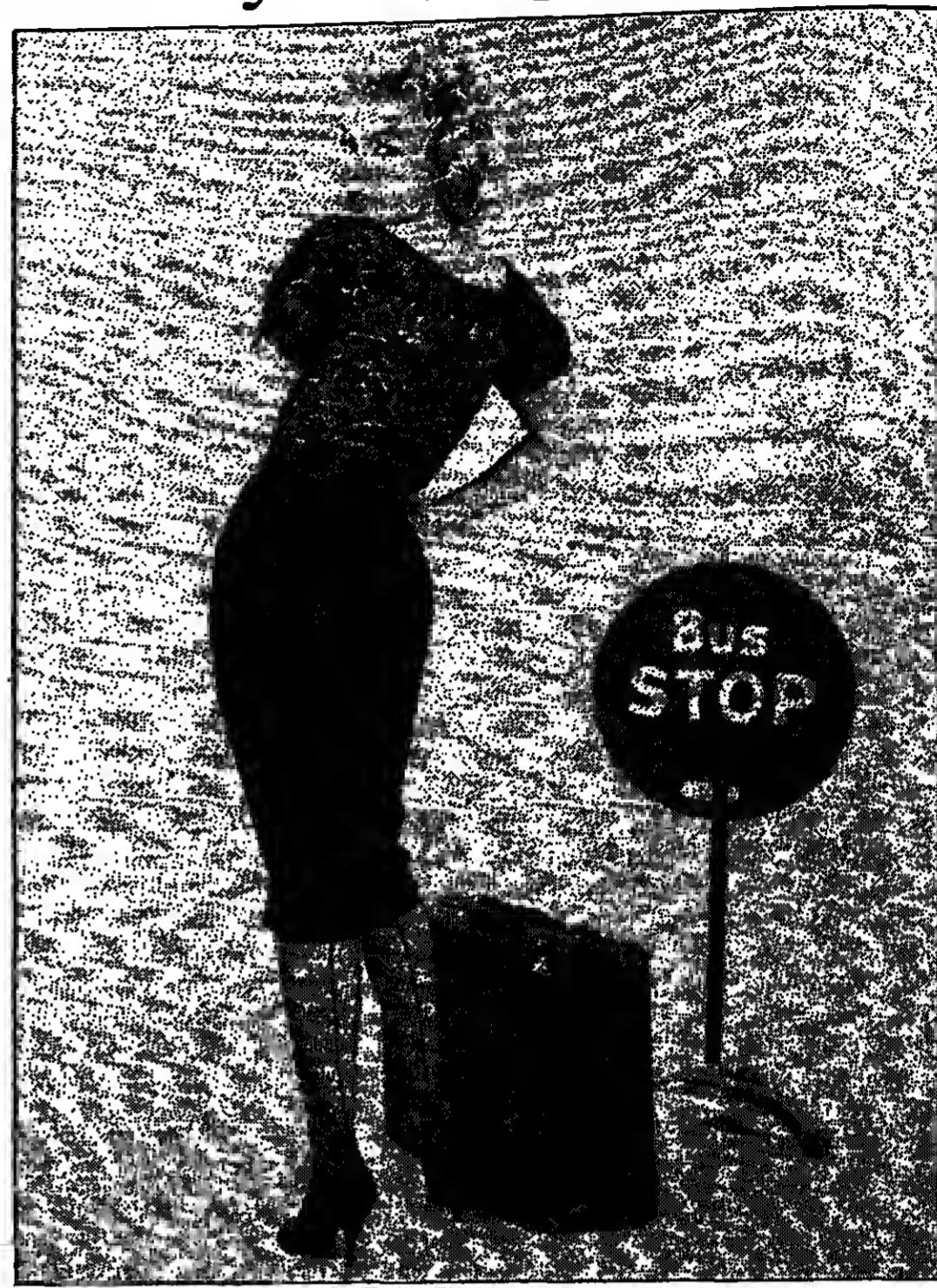
And so the revival continues. Mega-star Elton John has released his single, *Candle in the Wind*, which is about the glamorous actress and superstar Madonna has tried to make herself look as much like Monroe as possible. In the video for her No. 1 single, *Material Girl*, she copied a famous scene from the film, *Diamonds Are a Girl's Best Friend*.

For according to dress designer Bill Trivilla, the man who put shoulder pads in Dallas and has dressed some of the soap world's most beautiful women, no-one has ever quite compared with Marilyn.

Bill, who has worked with Linda Evans and Victoria Principal, says: "Marilyn was every

£7,150 paid for 'Bus Stop' blouse

## Marilyn's magic lives on



Legendary star Marilyn Monroe in the film Bus Stop.

thing a man could want — soft, delicate and almost childlike with a gorgeous body.

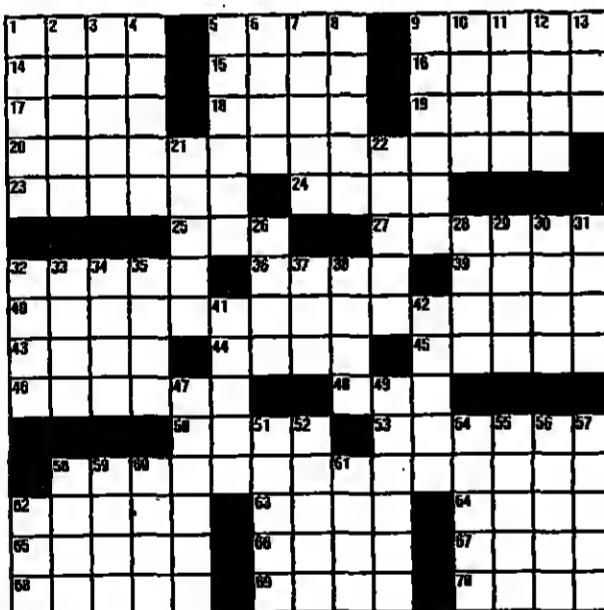
"I designed the famous

creed dress for Marilyn in the film, *Seven Year Itch* and not only was I proud to design the outfit, it was pure joy to work

with her. She was a star like no other."

And it seems she always will be ...

## TODAY'S CROSSWORD



**ACROSS**  
1 Centrall from Sydney  
5 Art follower  
9 Leaves shore  
14 Favorite  
15 Student's concern  
16 Concur  
17 Glutton's cry  
18 J.F. Crazier  
heroina  
19 Queen's "topper"  
20 Double value, in a proverb  
23 Off mna's feet  
24 Swiss river  
25 Just out  
27 City in NE Georgia  
32 Jockeys' records?  
36 Attention-getter  
39 Latin I word  
40 Not a moment too soon  
43 Needa case  
44 Buddhist mountain  
45 He's moray bound  
46 "the piper's son..."  
48 Give a poor review  
50 Large cut  
53 Sea duck  
58 This is often sufficient  
62 Bring forth  
63 Track shape  
64 Recent  
65 A Dey  
66 Word with bagatelle  
67 Cupid  
68 Meara and Bancroft  
69 Ruse  
70 Record

**DOWN**  
1 Certain beans  
2 Sun-dried brick  
3 Water wheel  
4 Vigilant  
5 Come to a conclusion  
6 Yeoman of the guard officer  
7 Magna —  
8 1935 Triple Crown winner  
9 Perfumed bag  
10 Pearl Misque site  
11 Pressing need?  
12 X-rated  
13 DC VIP  
21 Packed tightly  
22 Poet's muse  
26 Caprice  
28 Have no use for  
29 Jannings or  
30 Dub  
31 Old or young andar  
32 Count calories  
33 Division word  
34 Grape juice of a sort  
35 IOU  
37 Diamonds, to a yegg  
38 Between hop and jump  
41 Wanderer  
42 Receiver of stolen goods  
43 Fierce female love  
49 Scarlet's site  
51 Lively dance  
52 Crude aboda  
54 Young hooter  
55 See 19 Across  
56 Bar, at the bar  
57 Delta's stream  
58 Bard's stream  
59 Frayed  
60 Steinbeck character  
61 Pol source  
62 Author LeShan

**ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:**  
SNAP MEAT ACHEES  
LOLA ANKA FRONT  
AVER NAIL TASTE  
BACK GAMMON PEEL  
GULCHES DESMOND  
AMAH EPEE  
MAGENTA CENSURE  
SEAS AVA SOSP  
CONSORT VEIL  
ERAS POKERFLATS  
ROREM LAME AXON  
ANITA ALAS MERIE  
MOSSY TINT ALTE

## GOREN BRIDGE

BY CHARLES GOREN AND OMAR SHARIF

## ANSWERS TO WEEKLY BRIDGE QUIZ

Q.1—As South, vulnerable, you hold:

♦ J954 ♦ Q6 ♦ KJ108 ♦ KJ6

The bidding has proceeded:

North East South West

1 ♠ Pass 1 ♠ Pass

2 ♠ Pass ?

What do you bid now?

A.—On this auction, partner could have four spades as well, and it is your duty to probe for a possible 4-4 major fit. Bid one spade. At the one-level, the fourth suit is natural, and any new suit by responder in an unlimited auction is a one-round force.

Q.2—As South, vulnerable, you hold:

♦ 95 ♦ AJ63 ♦ J102 ♦ AQJ6

The bidding has proceeded:

North East South West

1 ♠ Pass 1 ♠ Pass

2 ♠ Pass ?

What do you bid now?

A.—Whether or not you play fourth-suit forcing is immaterial. No trump is the last thing you want to declare — you do not have a single tenace to protect. Simply rebid two hearts and see what partner wants to do.

Q.3—As South, vulnerable, you hold:

♦ 95 ♦ AJ63 ♦ J102 ♦ AQJ6

The bidding has proceeded:

North East South West

1 ♠ Pass 1 ♠ Pass

2 NT Pass ?

What do you bid now?

A.—No sense wasting time. You have no 4-4 major fit and, with your balanced opening bid values, you want to be in game. Since the unbid suit is well stopped, you know where to play the hand. Bid three no trump.

Q.4—As South, vulnerable, you hold:

♦ KJ6 ♦ A1065 ♦ KQ98 ♦ 73

The bidding has proceeded:

North East South West

1 ♠ Pass 1 ♠ Pass

1 ♠ Pass ?

What do you bid now?

A.—You have the values for game but you can't be sure of your best contract. It might be in diamonds, no trump or even spades. For the moment, jump to three diamonds. A jump in opener's minor is forcing, and will give you time to find your best spot.

Q.5—Bobt vulnerable, as South you hold:

♦ KJ6 ♦ A1065 ♦ KQ98 ♦ 73

The bidding has proceeded:

North East South West

1 ♠ Pass 1 ♠ Pass

2 NT Pass ?

What do you bid now?

A.—This is a matter of style. If you play that two hearts is a game force, you need do more than bid three hearts — you want to leave as much room as possible for slam exploration. However, if partner is allowed to pass three hearts, you have to jump to game in his suit.

## THE WIZARD OF ID

By Brant Parker and Johnny Hart



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## YOUR STARS

Aries (March 20 - April 18)



You should not delay making a decision. Do not allow your attention to wander. Make the most of things. Be considerate.

Taurus (April 19 - May 19)



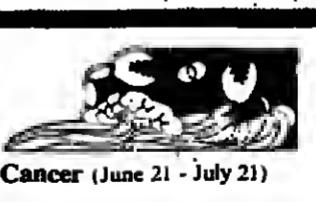
You will have to act fast if you do not want to miss a good opportunity. Now is a good time to catch up in a direction in which you have fallen behind. Do not ask for too much. Be prompt.

Gemini (May 20 - June 20)



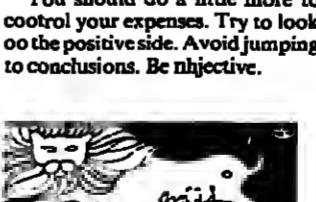
You should be a little more patient. Avoid making a promise you will find difficult if not impossible to keep. You should try to think a little more positively. Be grateful.

Cancer (June 21 - July 21)



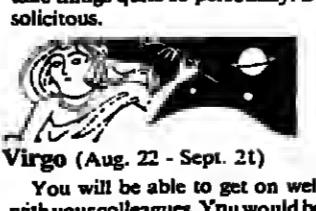
You should ensure that you do not do anything that would be inconsistent with what you have been doing. A little bit more patience is needed. Be oozing. A "slight" cold must not be neglected. Be resilient.

Leo (July 22 - Aug. 21)



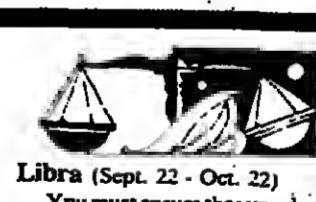
You should not rely on others to do things for you. You will be tempted to spend more than you can actually afford. You should not take things quite so personally. Be solicitous.

Virgo (Aug. 22 - Sept. 21)



You will be some rather drastic changes, but you will be able to take them in your stride. You will have something to be pleased about. You should not seek to rely on luck alone. Be cordial.

Libra (Sept. 22 - Oct. 21)



## SNIPS

## Striking teachers press for payment

STRIKING teachers of Manila's public schools trooped to City Hall anew to press for payment of their allowances and other benefits, totalling P24 million.

The teachers, at the same time, denounced the arrest by police last week of 10 of their co-teachers during their rally at the Freedom Park in Malacanang.

As their strike entered its third day, the officers of the Manila Public School Teachers Association (MPSTA) said their protest has paralysed 95 of the city's 103 public elementary and high schools.

The MPSTA officers said that they will continue their strike until their demands are met by the authorities. School principals and supervisors joined the teachers in their rally.

Manila Mayor Gemiliaoo Lopez Jr. the other day ordered the immediate payment to the teachers of an initial P11.4 million for January.

Despite Lopez' order, the teachers trooped to City Hall, saying they want their money and not just promises.

The striking teachers set two conditions for returning to their classrooms.

The two conditions are the payment of their allowances, the city share in their salaries and their cost-of-living allowances (Cola) for January and February this year, and a written assurance either from Malacanang or the Department of Education.

## Ban sought on some imported medicines

THE Chamber of Filipino Drug Manufacturers and Distributors (CFDMD) asked Congress to ban the entry of drugs which can be produced locally.

Edwin Santiago, CFDMD executive director, told congressmen that Filipinos are "being taken for a ride by multinational drug firms," which claim that imported drugs are superior in quality compared to locally produced ones.

Appearing during a hearing conducted by the House subcommittee on the drug industry, Santiago also blamed multinational firms for the ever-increasing costs of medicines sold here.

"The superior-quality argument forms part of the multinationals' campaign against the use of cheaper generic drugs," Santiago said.

## Robbery at Marcos mansion

LAOAG CITY: Unidentified robbers broke into the mansion of former President Ferdinand Marcos in downtown Batac, Ilocos Norte, last weekend and carted away five paintings by Juan Luna worth some P1 million.

The rare paintings of Juan Luna, a native of Ilocos Norte, had adorned the Marcos house's living room. They were described as about four feet by six feet.

Benjamin Gutab, caretaker of the Marcos house, which is a few metres from the town hall and police station, said he noticed that the paintings were missing only last Sunday while he was cleaning the house.

It was disclosed that the five collector's items command a price of P1 million or even higher.

Batac Mayor Jesus Nalupata, who was informed yesterday morning of the robbery, said the robbers forced their way into the house through a second-floor window near the bedroom.

Nalupata expressed surprise that the robbers were only interested in the paintings although there were many other valuable items in the mansion.

## Sex ring busted

GOVERNMENT agents arrested 22 foreigners and three Filipinos suspected of being members of an international sex syndicate in raids on a lodge and eight private houses in Pagsanjan, Laguna.

The raids were conducted by agents of the Commission on Immigration and Deportation (CID) led by Bienvenido Alano Jr. who said that they also held 19 young boys and girls believed to have been recruited by the syndicate.

Immigration Commissioner Miriam Defensor Santiago said the arrested foreigners were mostly Australians and Europeans but did not identify them, saying that they were undergoing tactical interrogation and record check.

Also confiscated during the raids were photo albums, posters, literature, and films of child prostitutes in salacious poses.

## Aquino extends permit to Yamashita treasure hunters

## Gold-fever grips Fort Santiago

THE government of the Philippines apparently optimistic that tons of gold would be unearthed from Fort Santiago, gave a group of American treasure hunters 30 more days to go on digging.

Emanuel Soriano, President Aquino's national security adviser and head of a government committee monitoring the diggings, said: "We don't know the exact volume but there is evidence that it is substantial; it is worth looking for and it is there. Makikiohang aog taunay bayan."

Fort Santiago is a 17th Century Spanish garrison built on the site of the original settlement called Maynilad, whose last native Muslim ruler was Rajah Sulayman. In World War II, the fort was used as a prison by the Japanese occupation army. It is also the site of a museum containing the memorabilia of Dr Jose Rizal, the national hero.

Soriano said extending the permit given to firm International Precious Metals, Inc. (IPM) was justified. The President has decided to allow the continuation of the project until it is successfully completed, he said.

Asked about the validity of the permit granted to IPM by the Office of the President, Soriano said it was authorised under Presidential Decree No. 1726-A which was issued by then President Marcos on Oct. 1, 1980.

Charles McDougald, spokesman and director of IPM, said the treasure-hunters expect to find gold bullion within 10 to 15 days inside a place used as torture chamber by Japanese soldiers during the war.

Soriano explained that the usual period given to treasure-hunting contractors is 90 days. IPM got its permit early December last year and was scheduled to expire next week but the President has



Treasure hunt: McDougald leads two labourers carrying dug up soil in Fort Santiago

decided to extend it to another 30 days.

Their request for a permit was made sometime in November. The permit was granted early December but they were unable to start immediately because IPM's president (Robert) Curtis had to undergo an operation and they had to wait until he was fully recovered before they could start again.

Soriano pointed out that IPM is not one of those fly-by-night prospectors. We only give permits to those with evidence and credentials because we don't want thousands of fortune hunters digging all over the country.

Soriano assured the public that "nothing is going on there right now that is going to desecrate a national shrine." Hardly any damage has been done to the fort so I don't think that's a valid issue. We are all hoping that IPM will be successful. It will mean a lot for our country and our people. It would

be an added resource available to improve the economy."

Meanwhile at the excavation site, McDougald said the gold bullion expected to be unearthed from Fort Santiago "will make the Philippines very stale," which is why many groups oppose the diggings.

"Any substantial amount of treasure here, especially gold, can decrease your foreign debt," he said.

He said deposed President Ferdinand Marcos and his friends "would be our Number One stumbling block — the loyalists are doing everything to block it."

He said that if the country is stable, it would be very hard for Marcos to comeback.

McDougald also revealed that some of Marcos' friends had already excavated the site sometime in 1983 where IPM is working now and that there is evidence gold had been recovered there.

The author-turned-treasure hunter also said the government

committee created to oversee the operations, made up of Soriano, Presidential Security Group commander Col. Voltaire Gazzmin and Curtis are constantly giving them guidelines.

He said IPM is using a special technology to pinpoint the exact location of the treasure. He added that if they are ordered to stop the diggings, it is doubtful if "other people without sufficient information could get to the gold."

McDougald, in his fourth daily press briefing, recounted how they were able to determine the exact location of the gold bullion, part of what is believed to be of World War II hoard buried by the Japanese Imperial Army during the war.

He said Curtis worked with Marcos and former AFP chief of staff Gen. Fabiano C. Ver, in several treasure-hunting operations in 1975.

The operation, code-named Leber, was based on Japanese maps given to Marcos by his lieutenants, McDougald said, and all the maps and engineering drawings have one central location.

Curtis was contacted by Marcos after learning that the American had developed a new technology for refining gold that could maximise recovery of gold.

During the Marcos operations Curtis was in charge of the maps. He photographed them and sent them outside the country. The maps are for a total of 172 sites, McDougald said, and Marcos was able to dig five or six sites.

McDougald earlier said 1978 reports indicate \$14 billion in gold were recovered by Marcos from two sites in Teresa, Antipolo, Rizal and inside the sunken Japanese freighter Nachi Maru at Manila Bay.

Reports from Jerry Esplanada and Catalino Alano Jr.

## Ding dong, Tingting, Peping, Bongbong, Danding, Noynoy, Ballsy, Buts, Au-aa and Popsie — all part of the Pinoy name game

By Daniela Deane

MANILA, (UPI): You can call Philippine supreme court chief justice Claudio Techankee 'Ding dong.' His best friends do.

You can call President Corazon Aquino's eldest daughter 'Ballsy.' She won't be insulted.

'Noynoy' and 'Peping,' 'Tingting' and 'Teddy Man' — all are proper forms of address for some of 'Cory's' closest advisers.

"Almost all Filipinos have nicknames," said Dr. Mioda Sutaria, the undersecretary of education, known to most as simply 'Min.' "Filipinos like to be informal and friendly."

"Nobody can believe I don't have a nickname," said one, rather odd, Manila woman of Chinese parentage. "People just make them up for me."

'Teddy Man' is Aquino's press spokesman Teodoro Benigno.

Not to be confused with 'Teddy Boy,' or Teodoro Locsin Jr. presidential confidante and speechwriter.

'Ballsy,' Aquino's oldest child and close adviser, is really Maria Elecia Aquino Cruz. No one even remembers her given name anymore. 'Noynoy' is the president's only male child, son of Aquino and her late husband 'Nimoy.'

Nicknames are so entrenched in Filipino society that Manila's international airport, recently renamed after the President's murdered husband, is officially called the Ninoy Aquino International Airport, rather than the Benigno S. Aquino Jr. airport.



President 'Cory'

President Aquino's brother-in-law, Agapito, a Filipino senator, is known as 'Buts.' He's married to 'Popsie.'

Aquino's brother 'Peping' — or Jose Cojuangco — just celebrated his 25th wedding anniversary with pretty Margarita, or Tingting.

Ousted President Ferdinand Marcos irritated the Filipino love for informality by insisting he be called 'your excellency.'

But behind his back, everyone knew the strongman as either 'Ferdie,' 'Fred' or 'Macy.'

His flamboyant wife, Imelda, was 'Meldy' and their youngest son, former governor of Ilocos Norte province, preferred to be known as 'Boohong.'

Imee Marcos Maotoc, daughter of the former president and first lady, is the wife of Tommy Manocot. Tommy used to be married to beauty queen Aurora Pijuan, or 'Au-aa' (pronounced 'ow-ow'), a former Miss International.

'Daodio' — well-known Marcos croon and estranged

Aquino first cousin Eduardo Cojuangco — allegedly fled the country with the Marcoses.

Back in Manila, the central bank run by Jose Fernandez, known to his friends as 'Jobo,' 'Eddie' — Fidel Ramos — was just named the country's defense secretary following the resignation of 'Rocky,' or Rafael Ileto. 'Johnny' — opposing leader Juan Ponce Enrile — held that job during the Marcos years.

All is not well between 'Cory' and 'Doy' or vice president Salvador Laurel, who recently resigned from the foreign affairs ministry.

'Boy,' 'Hooey Boy,' 'Baby' and 'Cookie' are common names. An American woman recently was very distressed to hear her husband call a driver 'boy' on their way home from the airport. "But that's his name," the husband protested.

One of the most popular priests on the central island of Negros is 'Father Baby' Gordocillo.

Society columns are full of what 'Tweet Tweet,' 'Boo,' 'Twinkie,' 'Peaches' or 'Cherry Pie' did at the opening of some new Manila disco.

"Nicknames date back to the Spanish regime," said education undersecretary 'Mio,' whose boss, the secretary of education, is known as 'Lou-lou.' "Eve my grandmother had nicknames."

"When we ask someone's name, we right away ask, 'what's your nickname?'" said Min. "Nicknames make the other fellow feel he's closer to you."

## Dawn Zulueta: new name in lights

DAWN Zulueta possesses one of the most enchanting faces in show business, and is a promising performer as well. She is very "oww" in the way that she project herself, which is why she has become a favorite with the young, trendy crowd.

The young actress is also being packaged as a musical star, but

this doesn't appear to be her best suit. She's better than some of the non-singers who "sing" on TV these days, but she has more going for her as an actress with contemporary roles. It should be only a matter of time before some canny filmmaker with an upbeat, project uses her to enhance the film with her bright-eyed, slightly sardonic air.

Dawn Zulueta



Activists from militant youth groups stage a rally in front of the US Embassy in Manila.

## Cory urged to shut US bases by 1991

By Nimfa U. Rueda

A BROAD coalition of cause-oriented groups urged President Aquino to assert the nation's sovereignty and shut down the US military bases in 1991.

In a letter to Aquino, the Campaign for a Sovereign Philippines — whose leaders ranged from militant leftists to nationalist legislators — said the bases constitute an infringement of the country's sovereignty and serve as "magnets" for nuclear attacks in case of war.

Although he did not see action during World War II, Fukumitsu, born in Salt Lake City, Utah, on March 28, 1913, said he served the US as a Japanese language (Nippogo) teacher at a US Navy officers' school in Boulder, Colorado.

He recalled having defended Marcos from Washington Post columnist Jack Anderson who had accused the then President of stealing Japanese war treasures worth \$100 million.

"A word of advice to the treasure hunters at Fort Santiago — leave the historic place as it is. There's nothing there. Macy came out from there with nothing," Fukumitsu said.

Composed of the top 24 players in the league, the two All-Star teams embark on a three-city, cross-country tour in the oil-rich Arab nation upon the invitation of the Filex, a group of Filipino expatriates based in Jeddah.

Both teams, scheduled to go up against each other in the western province of Damman, the capital city of Riyadh on the central side and Jeddah near the Red Sea, will likely have three-time MVP Ramon Fernandez and Robert Jaworski for their playing-coaches.

The idea of staging goodwill games before Filipino contract workers in Saudi Arabia was hatched up by the Filex group, which sent the PBA a letter in August asking for the possibility of having professional players as guests.

In a response sent to the enterprising group, the PBA laid down the terms and conditions for the holding of exhibition matches, stipulating among others that the Filex finance the whole trip for a party of 40 people.

Filex is only awaiting the final approval of its board for the deal to be closed.

The trip will only take one week. (GA)

million people have filed resolutions declaring their cities, towns and provinces as nuclear weapons free zones.

The letter signed by Tanada and four other congressmen said the review of the bases pact, which is scheduled to start in March, should concentrate on the conditions for a continuation of the agreement but on determining how the bases can be dismantled with the least negative social impact.

"No amount of economic aid promised in exchange for the bases can possibly overcome the destabilising process that they bring, and the incalculable social cost which they exact in terms of our people's health, morals and psychological dependency," the letter said.

Other signatories included five former members of the Constitutional Commission, several local government officials and leaders of some 60 cause-oriented groups.

The launching activity started with a morning mass marking the first death anniversary of the late nationalist Sen. Jose W. Diokno which was followed by a 50-car motorcade around Metro Manila.

## US training for boxers

VETERAN internationalists Leopoldo Cantancio, Leopoldo Serrantes, Crisologo Flores and two other top graduates of a weekly boxing programme will be sent to the United States in a bid to shore up the country's chances for medals in the Seoul Olympics.

Only Cantancio, Serrantes and Flores, however, have been named as sure members of the US-bound squad as the Amateur Boxing Association of the Philippines has yet to make known its fourth and fifth choices, who would come from the Manila Beer Boxing at the Park series.

ABAP president Roilo Golez

said that the fighters plus a staff of coaches and other team officials have been invited by the Florida Boxing Academy. They are to be funded by contributions from Filipino sports associations in the States.

Diaoalan said the President, through Executive Secretary Catalino Macaraig approved the following: travel tax and other taxes incident to travel abroad, police and similar type of clearances, reduction of passport fee from P500 to P30 and airport

# BUSINESS & FINANCE

## Europeans protest over S.African moves to block foreign funds

CAPE TOWN, March 12, (Reuters): The European Economic Community protested to South Africa today over government moves to block foreign funding for anti-apartheid groups.

West German Ambassador Immo Stahre met Deputy Foreign Minister Kobus Meiring to voice European concern over the legislation recently introduced in parliament, a South African government said.

The legislation, known as the promotion of orderly internal politics bill, would prohibit the use of foreign funds for political purposes.

Political analysts and diplomats say the new powers could cripple a wide range of anti-apartheid groups that depend heavily on foreign funds.

### Crackdown

The legislation is seen as a tightening of the government crackdown on black dissidents. Pretoria virtually banned 17 anti-apartheid groups last month, saying they were fueling a revolution in South Africa.

Meiring, a spokesman for Foreign Minister Pik Botha, who is visiting Chile, told Stahre that the government welcomed foreign contributions to socioeconomic programmes.

But foreign funds were often used for political purposes and to further the docto's political aims, he said.

West German embassy spokesmen were not immediately available for comment. West Germany currently holds the rotating presidency of the European Economic Community.

## Mubarak opens trade fair

CAIRO, March 12, (Reuters): Cairo's international trade fair opened today with the absence of Israel for the first time since it signed a peace treaty with Egypt in 1979.

President Hosni Mubarak opened the fair, which in 1986 was the scene of the killing of an Israeli embassy official by a radical group known as "Egypt's Revolution."

Israel's empty pavilion at the fair grounds in northern Cairo was heavily guarded during the opening ceremonies.

An Israeli embassy official in Cairo declined to say why his country was not participating but anti-Israeli feelings have mounted in Egypt during the Palestinian uprising in the occupied territories.

Egyptian prosecutors also recently demanded the death sentence for members of "Egypt's Revolution," including the eldest son of the late President Gamal Abdel Nasser.

The UAE is exhibiting at the two-week fair for the first time since most of the Arab world cut ties with Egypt because of its peace treaty with Israel.

An Arab League summit in Amman last year cleared the way for Arab countries to resume ties with Egypt but the UAE is the only Arab country apart from Sudan taking part in the Cairo fair this year.

## Record petrochemical earnings boost oil company profits

SPECTACULAR performance in petrochemicals is giving a boost to profits for North American oil and gas companies.

For many of the integrated oil companies that report petrochemical earnings, profits in that segment more than doubled in fourth quarter 1987 from the same time a year ago.

A survey of 14 US and Canadian companies whose main activity is oil and gas operations showed they posted an 84 per cent jump in petrochemical profits to \$3.67 billion in 1987 from the year before, according to Oil & Gas Journal.

Overall profitability of petrochemical operations in the US almost doubled in the past year from 1986, according to an index developed by Chem Systems Inc. (CSI), Tarrytown, N.Y.

The collapse in oil prices helped stimulate petrochemical profits in 1986 as feedstock costs fell.

The spike in profitability began in first quarter 1987. Surging demand for most petrochemical products was spurred by economic growth and a weaker dollar.

With demand up, a sharply reduced industry capacity stemming from restructuring and consolidation of the early 1980s, low feedstock costs, and product price boosts helped petrochemical profits to record levels

Several analysts think Opec will discreetly trim production

## North Sea oil rebounds above \$15

LONDON, March 12, (Reuters): North Sea oil prices rose above \$15 a barrel yesterday for the first time in more than two weeks, suggesting that a recent slide in the market might have bottomed out, traders said.

A cargo of crude from Britain's Brent field, a barometer of world spot prices, changed hands at \$15.23 a barrel for loading in May, the most actively traded month.

Spot, ooo-cocontract prices are more than a dollar above lows touched nine days ago. But, in a market awash with surplus oil, they remain below the \$18 a barrel which the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec) is trying to charge for contract sales.

Several cash-pioted organisation sellers are having to offer discounts on the \$18 price.

Traders said the partial recovery of spot prices, which

have been easing since November, may not last. Some took the view that they were rallying solely because traders are covering short positions taken out over recent weeks.

Panicked "Some people panicked this morning," one said.

A rally in New York on Thursday followed the reports that Opec was considering output cuts to mop up the prevailing glut.

"There was a lot of buying interest off a report that Opec is planning production cuts," said Stephen Platt, oil futures analysts with Dean Witter Reynolds, loc in New York.

But an Opec spokesman said the report was "unfounded."

"The market is nervous," Platt said. "Players are expecting Opec to take more decisive action to halt the oil price slide."

Traders and brokers said yesterday that a West German trading house had sold Iran some 240,000 to 250,000 tonnes of

most widely traded Middle Eastern grade, has also risen from about \$12.87 to \$13.60 in the past two days.

Market sources said this followed an apparent decision by Abu Dhabi to charge future supplies to Japanese buyers at Opec-mandated prices, and to limit discounts — which were being made retroactive — to sales in the recent past.

Oil analyst Mebdi Varzi of London stockbrokers Kleinwort Breslau meanwhile said an Iranian purchase of a big volume of gasoil in Europe also helped firm crude oil prices.

"Iran, picking up what is an astonishing tonnage of gasoil, wipes out a major amount of the surplus in northwest Europe," he said.

Traders and brokers said yesterday that a West German trading house had sold Iran some 240,000 to 250,000 tonnes of

gasoil, used for diesel fuel and heating. It was gathering the refined product, from deliveries to the market from Soviet and other refiners, to load onto a very large crude carrier (VLCC), possibly next week.

Iran is a regular importer of oil products, as many of its refineries have been damaged in the Gulf war. But the volume in the market surprised the market.

Tanker brokers said the 284,299-tonne Patria had been chartered by a West German firm, Marimpex, to carry 240,000 tonnes of gasoil from Rotterdam to the Gulf.

Michael Unsworth, chief oil analyst at brokers Smith New Court, said that even if crude oil prices begin slipping again, "we are not in a 1986 situation."

Prices crashed below \$9 that year during a bout of ruinous Opec overproduction.

Meanwhile, top officials of the Nigerian National Petroleum Corp said today that Opec president Rilwan Lukman was unlikely to call an emergency meeting of the organisation during the next 10 days because of the Nigerian Oil Minister's busy schedule at home.

An assistant to Lukman said the minister was scheduled to accompany President Goro Ibrahim Babangida at the commissioning of three oil-related projects in the next 10 days.

It is most likely that the Opec president will be able to call any emergency conference of ministers before March 21 and that will be if the market is unable to firm up by then," the assistant said.

Several analysts think Opec will discreetly trim production, now estimated at about 17.5 million barrels a day, to overcome the huge glut.

## Panama seen taking years to recover as financial centre

## US increases economic pressure on Noriega

PANAMA CITY, Panama, March 12, (AP): Panamanians who have been unable to cash their cheques for 10 days face cuts in public services today as Washington increased economic pressure on the government to force Panama's strongman to resign.

US President Ronald Reagan yesterday froze millions of dollars in Panamanian assets in the United States and again called on Gen. Manuel Antonio Noriega to step down as chief of the 15,000-member defence forces.

### Payments

Panama's new chief executive, Manuel Solis Palma, met with his cabinet in an emergency session yesterday.

He was to meet with the cabinet again today "to work out a total package plan to deal with the crisis, especially a payment plan for public employees who must be paid by March 15," said Arturo Delvalle, who was

an official, speaking on condition of anonymity.

The government reportedly was considering delaying or reducing payments due to Tuesday Feb 26, a day after Delvalle tried to fire Noriega. Solis Palma was named to replace Delvalle, who has been in hiding since.

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A \$6.6-million payment of Canal fees is due on Tuesday.

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### Service

Reagan also suspended trade preferences granted Panama and ordered increased scrutiny of the country by US immigration and customs service officials to "apprehend drug traffickers and money launderers."

"I believe that Gen. Noriega would best serve his country by complying with the instruction of President Delvalle to relinquish his post," Reagan said, calling Noriega's regime illegitimate.

Noriega was indicted last month in the United States on

drug trafficking and money laundering charges.

Boris Moreno, a Panamanian government spokesman, said the US actions created a "state of war" and set a dangerous precedent.

"This means that if the United States government does not like the government of another country, it can withhold any funds deposited in the United States," he said.

Noriega made no comment on Reagan's new actions. An official statement by the Foreign Ministry on the US actions was expected.

Riot police firing tear gas grenades and spraying a stinging, acrid liquid from canisters prevented opposition parties from holding a demonstration in the central banking district yesterday.

Three journalists were injured when police sprayed tear-gas in their faces at close range. They

were: Lucia Annunziata, a reporter with the newspaper La Repubblica of Rome; David Walters, a photographer with the Miami Herald; and Mauro Isella, a cameraman for Spanish television.

### Crisis

The US sanctions were expected to deepen a cash-flow crisis that has forced Panamanian banks to close for 10 consecutive days. Attorneys for Delvalle have tied up an estimated \$50 million in official Panamanian funds in private US banks.

The government yesterday asked owners of four supermarket chains, a department store and pharmacy chain to act as cheque-cashing houses for government employees. The owners refused, saying it was up to the central bank to guarantee government cheques.

Businesses have been accepting cash only.

## Verity critical of US banks' lending policies

WASHINGTON, March 12, (Opecos): US Commerce Secretary William Verity says American banks have gone too far in withdrawing export financing for goods destined for debtor countries.

Without an adequate supply of credit, US efforts to expand exports would be hampered, he told a group of bankers and exporters on Thursday at a conference sponsored by the Export-Import Bank.

"Higher exports create demand for private credit to supply our shipments," he said, "yet US banks have been withdrawing from export lending."

Verity said foreign banks now much of their lending for US export sales. Many of them had established US offices, using export lending as a "lure" to gain customers.

"Banking is the country needs to review the situation and give serious consideration to the market for trade credit," he suggested.

## Japan might step up investments in Latin America

WASHINGTON, March 12, (UPI): Inter-American Development Bank president Antonio Ortiz Mena, saying his last year as head of the lending institution was "a difficult one for the bank," announced yesterday Japan might step up investments in Latin America.

Asked whether Japan was asking for a larger voting power in exchange for increased investments, he answered, "yes, it is being discussed, but we have to reach an agreement."

Japan is the IDB's third largest contributor, after the United States and Canada, but holds only one per cent of the voting shares.

The US has lobbied to have its 34.5 per cent voting share on the IDB board receive a veto status, which would place the institution's policy under direct control by Washington, a move generally resisted by receiving countries.

### Challenge

Despite this, Ortiz Mena said relations with the United States remained "very good, although many countries have different criteria at times."

Ortiz Mena, who headed the 44-member international organisation for 17 years, said he was resigning and returning to Mexico, which is holding presidential elections this year. He did not say, however, whether he was considering playing any role in the new Mexican administration.

### Possibility

"Last year was a difficult year for the bank due to the general downturn of the economy in Latin American countries, the lack of projects to be implemented, and the devaluation of the dollar," he said in a farewell press conference yesterday.

Ortiz Mena, who will be replaced next week at the IDB by Enrique Iglesias of Uruguay, said the lending institution's main challenge in the years to come will be to define "a new

approach to transform the bank and meet the needs of Latin American countries."

"It could be the equivalent of a grace period ... through a system that could permit substantial investments for no less than five years."

The IDB includes 19 industrialised countries lending to 26 developing countries in Latin America and the Caribbean.

### System

"Very clearly, Latin American countries cannot fulfil their commitments regarding their foreign debt, unless they record economic growth, and for this, they need new investments," he said.

"The new approach would benefit not only the developing countries, but the industrialised countries as well, including the United States."

Ortiz Mena, however, denied he was suggesting a moratorium on the Latin American borrowers' debt to the IDB, but just wanted to emphasise the need to end negative cash flow in the region.

"It is urgent to create a new, imaginative system that could be developed in connection with the

external debt," he said.

He said that Iglesias, who takes over the IDB leadership on March 15, will go to Caracas, Venezuela, next week for a meeting with member countries' representatives, study the situation and make recommendations.

The United States, facing its own deficit crisis, said it cannot make further lending commitments to the IDB, or other international institutions, without prior congressional approval.

Ortiz Mena said the IDB lost \$1.2 billion in 1987, due to the weak dollar. The lending institution borrows about 75 per cent of its funds from banks in Japan, West Germany, Switzerland and the Netherlands, whose currencies sharply appreciated against the dollar last year.

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## CURRENCY &amp; BUSINESS

Bonn GNP growth quickens

## US export demand continues to surge

THE dollar traded slightly nervously in generally quite trading with few meaningful data releases this week. The US unit edged downwards over the week to current Y127, DM 1.66, and with sterling's significant gain, to 1.85.

The apparent reason for this upturn was sparked in the UK where the change in exchange rate policy portrays less central bank intervention for the future and this would suggest that should the dollar come under pressure the UK cannot be relied upon to intervene in its defence.

The cross £/DM rate therefore effectively drove the market and the dollar lower.

Housing completions fell 5.2 per cent in January, following a revised increase in December of 2.5 per cent. This was against the markets' expectations of a decline of only 2.4 per cent.

Retail sales rose \$174 million, approximately 0.6 per cent, in February, to a seasonally adjusted \$128 billion. This compares with a rise of 1.2 per cent in December and a 0.3 per cent increase in November.

The January figure was revised to a 0.2 per cent decline from the original estimate of a rise of 0.5 per cent.

Producers Price Index fell 0.2 per cent in February after increasing 0.4 per cent in January.

The December figure was a fall of 0.4 per cent.

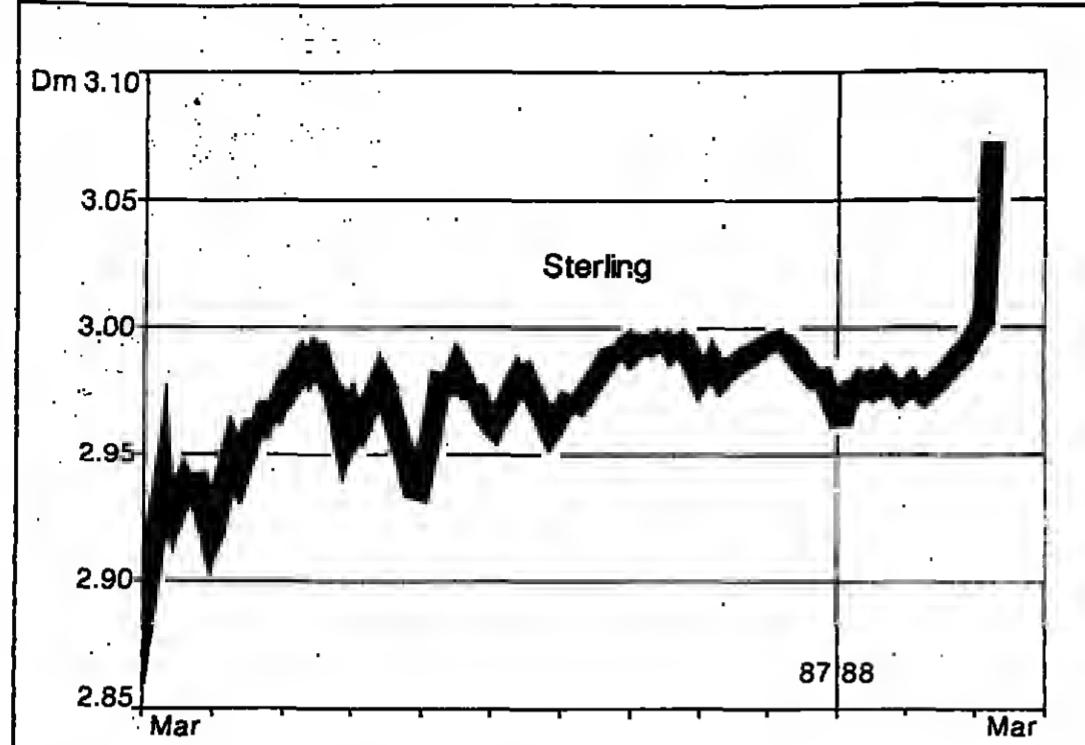
## Expectations

The market waits in quiet anticipation of next week's trade numbers, with market expectations of an above \$13 billion deficit.

Whilst the previous two months in trade numbers is grounds for optimism, with numbers indicating a possible turning point, a continued improvement of that magnitude is improbable.

The surge in factory orders does indicate that export demand will continue to push ahead, however, on balance, January's trade numbers may show a

## March on the mark



slight widening from December's gap.

This could undoubtedly serve to weaken the dollar and a figure significantly above the \$13 billion mark would certainly test the current lower trading ranges.

Such an eventuality would be unfavourable to the bond and equity markets. The dollar trading ranges this week are expected to be a narrow \$/DM 1.65-1.68 and Y125-129.

However, against the possibility of extreme sterling volatility a broad £/1.80-1.90 range is not inconceivable.

## Stance

As considered last week, sterling broke the DM 3.00 level amongst widespread market surprise at the obvious change in UK exchange rate policy.

The lack of central bank intervention was the first sign of

the shift in policy stance.

Subsequent utterances from official sources confirmed that keeping sterling within a narrow DM parity is no longer a prime objective. This stance very much reflects the Prime Minister's view and undoubtedly runs counter to the Chancellor's preference for a solid sterling policy.

As discussed last week, the obvious shift in policy brought a surge to the sterling market with the sterling gaining 8 pence against many investors taking advantage of the high interest rate differential.

Sterling ended the week at its highest level for 18 months at DM 3.08, \$1.85 and Y237.

The announcement of no change in interest rate policy left the bond and equity markets relatively unaffected although a downward drifting occurred

towards the end of the week.

This sharp change in policy undoubtedly marks a period of greater volatility for sterling for the coming months.

Whilst markets have been positively anticipating a favourable economic statement in Tuesday's budget, negative factors could very easily reverse the upward trend.

Therefore, its immediate gains could just as easily be dissipated.

However, a further surge in sterling must be anticipated in the run-up to and in the aftermath of the Budget.

A good budget perceived by the market would embrace sufficient tax cuts to maintain growth momentum but not in excess to allow an overall budget deficit — this is at present considered to be the most likely outcome.

Japan's surplus with the US also narrowed by 15 per cent on a 52 per cent rise of US imports. This argues relatively well for a continued improvement in US trade numbers.

A positive Public Sector Borrowing Requirement figure would be considered adverse and could very quickly take sterling lower.

Longer term the UK balance of payments deficit and a possible cut in interest rates may see many investors realising their profits and making a quick exit, irrespective of a possible further surge in sterling the downside risks on current rates remain very much in play.

## Rise

Concerns over excess demand, have waivered the exchange rate considerations and therefore interest rates have remained unaffected by sterling's rise.

However, irrespective of the Prime Minister's verbal concerns over inflation, which suggest that interest rates will continue at current levels, a cut coming at the time of the budget cannot be ruled out as this has become almost a tradition.

## West Germany

Data releases this week indicate that total output of goods and services grew slightly more than previously indicated in the fourth quarter of 1987 by a real 0.5 per cent.

Further positive news came from the manufacturing industry which provided a 3.7 per cent rise in the month of January.

This would continue to suggest the economy is still putting in a positive performance with a 1 per cent real GNP for the year as was anticipated.

Japan's trade surplus continues to decline for the 10th consecutive month.

The fall is \$5.2 billion in February represents a 26.5 per cent narrowing on the \$27.1 billion a year earlier.

Although exports continue to perform positively at 17.2 per cent, imports surged by almost 50 per cent.

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## KEWAI

BANK SECTOR	P. CLS	LT	HIGH	LOW	VOL	TRADE
NATIONAL BANK	0.870	0.870	0.870	0.870	555000	21
GULF BANK	0.350	0.360	0.360	0.360	120000	10
COMMERCIAL BK	0.246	0.248	0.248	0.246	300000	5
AHLI BANK	0.300	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
B.K.M.E	0.320	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
K.R.E.B.	0.400	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
BURGAN BANK	0.250	0.250	0.250	0.250	100000	3
K.F. HOUSE	0.475	0.475	0.475	0.475	120000	5
INVESTMENT SECTOR	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
KMT INV. CO.	0.204	0.194	0.194	0.194	60000	3
K.F.T.C.I.C.	0.210	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
K.I.I.C.	0.164	0.164	0.162	0.162	140000	5
CON.FACILITIES	0.425	0.425	0.425	0.425	10000	1
AHLIAH INV.	0.000	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
I.F.A.	0.106	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
INV. PEARL KMT	0.106	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
INSURANCE SECTOR	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
KMT INSURANCE	0.710	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
GULF INSURANCE	0.370	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
AHLIA INS. CO.	0.650	0.640	0.640	0.630	10000	2
WARBA INS. CO.	0.490	0.485	0.485	0.485	30000	1
REAL EST. SECTOR	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
KMT R. EST. CO.	0.240	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
UNI. R. EST. CO.	0.118	0.120	0.120	0.118	200000	6
NAT. R. EST. CO.	0.228	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
SALHIAH R.E.	0.075	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
KMT PROJECTS	0.091	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
KMT R.E.I. CO.	0.000	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
INDUSTRY SECTOR	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
NAT. IND. CO.	0.510	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
KMT M.P. IND.	0.320	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
KMT CEMENT CO.	0.238	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
REF. IND. CO.	0.385	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
N.A.M.T.CO.	0.000	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
GUL 1.00	0.950	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
K.P.H. IND. CO.	0.126	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
CONT. MARINE	0.350	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
K.S.M. REP. CO.	0.046	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
SERVICES SECTOR	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
OVERLAND TRANS	0.080	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
K.N. C. CO.	0.208	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
KMT HOTELS CO.	0.176	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
P. WAREHOUSING	0.150	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
COH. MKT. CIPX.	0.020	0.020	0.020	0.020	320000	3
MOBILE TELE.	0.380	0.375	0.375	0.375	150000	8
KMT COMPUTER	0.198	0.194	0.194	0.194	20000	1
FOOD SECTOR	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
LIVESTOCK T.T.	0.244	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
UNTD. FISHERIES	0.140	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
UNTD. POULTRY	0.238	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
KMT FOODS	0.320	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
AGRT. FOOD PROD.	0.150	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
NOM. KUWAIT SECTOR	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
BHN. INTER. BK	0.066	0.066	0.067	0.066	160000	3
BHN. M. EAST. BK	0.047	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
UNTD. GULF BK	0.050	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
COAST. INVEST.	0.092	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
A.G. INV. CORP.	0.040	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
FIRST. GULF BK	0.870	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
B.K.I.G.	0.091	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
KUWAIT STOCK EXCHANGE	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
COMPANIES LISTED ON THE PARALLEL MARKET	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
FINANCIAL SECTOR	P. CLS	LT	HIGH	LOW	VOL	TRADE
PEARL INV. CO.	0.098	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
GULF INV. CO.	0.042	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
GULF INTL. INS.	0.009	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
ARAB INT. CO.	0.055	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
SHARJAH INS.	0.000	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
GULF UNION INS.	0.055	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
INDUSTRIAL SECTOR	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
B-GULF MEDICAL	0.016	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
C-R.K. WHITE. CHINT	0.018	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
D-AJMAN CEMENT	0.007	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
E-FUJAIRAH CEMT	0.008	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
F-SHARJAH CEMENT	0.010	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
G-GULF CEMENT	0.015	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
H-UW QAIWAIN	0.019	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----

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## SPORTS

## Six-way tie for PGA lead

CORAL SPRINGS, Fla., March 12, (Reuters): Six players were jammed together for the lead at 137 after the second round of the \$700,000 Coral Springs Classic PGA tournament yesterday.

Ken Brown of Britain and Tommy Nakajima of Japan were part of the Logjam at the top as they were tied with Americans Ed Fiori, Jodie Mudd, Dan Furrer and Fred Wadsworth.

Sandy Lyle of Britain came within a stroke of the eagle trace course record as he bogeyed the final hole for an eight-under-par 64. He finished at six-under-par 138 and was tied with Americans Joey Sindesar and Tim Byrum.

While the windy, wet weather was atrocious on Thursday, it was pleasant yesterday with mostly sunny skies and a gentle breeze. As a result, the scores were considerably lower.

Brown had five birdies and a long bogey for his final-under-par 68 yesterday. Nakajima had five birdies and no bogeys for a 67.

"I believe the 69 I had yesterday was better than 68 today," Brown said. "The last few rounds, I've started to get my shot game together, but I've been playing very well from tee-to-green all year."

Excellent

Nakajima credited a consistent driver with very good iron play for his excellent round.

"I missed many birdie chances, too," he said. "Maybe better tomorrow, I hope."

Fiori, Fursman and Mudd all had 67s while Wadsworth had a 68. Fursman birdied four of the last five holes.

"I had some good chances on the front side," he said. "But I took advantage of them right at the end of the round."

Lyle opened the week with a two-under-par 74 on Thursday. Yesterday, he had four birdies on the front side and then birdied five of the first eight holes on the back before a poor drive cost him a bogey at the 18th. The course record is 63, set by Fred Couples in 1985.

"I was aware of it when I was playing the last," Lyle said. "I thought I hit a good drive there in the fairway, but it just bounced in the rough and I didn't have a good lie. It was a tall grass by the edge of a bunker."

He hit that bunker on his next shot, blasted onto the green and two putted from 10 feet.

## Eide takes Norway past Netherlands

SAPPORO, Japan, March 12, (AP): Patrik Eide scored two goals in the third period, powering Norway to a 5-1 victory over the Netherlands on the opening day of the '88 World Junior Ice Hockey Group B Championships.

The Netherlands' only goal by Michel Tuyt came in the first period.

In the other opening day game at the Tsukisamu gymnasium, Franck Marc and Bataille Reynold each scored in the first period and Margerit Bruun added one goal in the third period as France beat Austria 3-2.

Perth Christian scored one goal in the third period for Austria.

Move

At Yukijirushi skate centre, Romania, behind a tight defence, scored three goals in the first period, going on to edge Japan 3-2.

Skaters under 20 years of age from Japan, Switzerland, Austria, Norway, the Netherlands, France, Romania and Yugoslavia are taking part in the championships. The winner of the nine-day round-robin championships will move into the A group.

The A group consists of the United States, Finland, Czechoslovakia, Sweden, Poland, Switzerland, Canada and the Soviet Union.

In today's final game, Switzerland, which tumbled from a group last season, defeated Yugoslavia 6-5.

Holland meets Austria and Japan takes no Yugoslavia tomorrow.

## Asian Games

NEW DELHI, March 12, (Xinhua): India has identified 13 sports disciplines to make concerted efforts to reach the entry criteria for the 1990 Asian Games. Narasimha Rao, Minister of Indian Human Resources Development said.

Rao told Parliament that provision has also been made for sportspersons from other disciplines who may show the requisite performance during the intervening period until the final selection in early 1990.

Meanwhile, the Indian government has formulated new guidelines effective from this month to promote excellence in sports in the country, Rao said.

## BROAD TAKES MAN OF THE MATCH AWARD

## England crush New Zealand to go two up

CHRISTCHURCH, New Zealand, March 12, (Reuters): England went two up in the four match one-day series against New Zealand when they won the second match at Lancaster Park by six wickets today.

England scored 188 for four and won with two overs and one ball to spare.

New Zealand batted first scoring 186 for eight wickets after England won the toss and captain Mike Gatting sent the home side in.

## Reduced

The match eventually played in bright, sunny conditions, was reduced to a 45 over match after rain delayed the start.

The New Zealand score never looked large enough and the England win was comprehensive. They were superior in all facets of the game.

England's response was lead by Chris Broad who scored a breezy 56. The in-form left-hander was dropped three times before he was eventually out, caught by Keo Rutherford, bowled by Mario Soedden.

Other useful contributions by Tim Rubinson and Mike Gatting ensured England could cruise to a comfortable victory.

The wicket was set up by England's bowlers who, with the exception of Phillip Defretas,



Robinson in action on his way to scoring 44. (Reuters wirephoto)

bowled a tidy line and picked up wickets regularly. Defretas went for 53 runs in his nine overs.

The bowlers were backed up by some fine fielding. The fielders took three runs out as the New Zealanders attempted a series of suicidal runs in a desperate effort to hit the lagging run rate.

The New Zealand innings got off to a brisk start, with captain John Wright lifting Defretas over the square leg boundary early on, but when they lost the wickets of John Reid and Mario Cawie in the fifth and seventh overs, the innings never

recovered.

There was some spirited batting at the end of the innings from Chris Kuggeleijn, John Bracewell and Ian Smith which gave the score some respectability, but the score was 25 runs short of a challenging target on the easy-paced pitch.

A spate of dropped catches in the England innings ensured that what chance New Zealand had of winning the game was out grasped.

In contrast to the sharp England fielding, the Kiwis grasped at least six chances.

Broad and Martyn Moxon got



Moxon hits out during his innings of 17. (Reuters wirephoto)

the England innings away to a good start, keeping up with the required run-rate from the first few overs. Then when Moxon was caught by Kuggeleijn off

Willis Watson's bowling, Broad and Robinson made the game safe in a partnership of 75.

Broad won the Man of the Match award.

## Pate and Berger put up a fight

## Mecir to face Chesnokov in final



Mecir sends a return to Pate

ORLANDO, Fla., March 12, (Reuters): Miloslav Mecir of Czechoslovakia and Andrei Chesnokov of the Soviet Union advanced yesterday in the \$415,000 Orlando Classic men's tennis tournament and will meet in the final.

Mecir defeated American David Pate 7-5, 7-6 and Chesnokov beat American Jay Berger 3-6, 6-2, 6-1.

## Deception

Mecir took advantage of his chances, especially in the third set as he played with all the deception for which he has been known, while Pate found it difficult to find his rhythm on his serve.

"It is important to return his serve and break it," said Mecir, the number two and only remaining seed. "When he holds serve, he makes better shots and gets confidence. His game is 'deception.'

After the closeness of the first two sets when there were exchanges of service breaks, Pate expressed surprise at how easily the third set finished and he blamed it on his serve and by playing too

defensively. "Once he was no top he rolled over me," said Pate. "You need a weapon against him and I wasn't hurting him. So, he could do anything. It was a tough match for me and he took me to the cleaners."

Mecir's baseline game makes him a counter puncher and his disguised passing shots made it difficult for Pate to read. Pate was trying to be patient with his game, but Mecir would take the ball early and return it accurately.

Chesnokov, after losing the first set, rallied back by playing superlative ground strokes that had Berger running from side to side.

## Accurate

"I started hitting the ball harder after the first set," said Chesnokov. "I thought he was getting a bit tired and I was getting stronger."

Chesnokov waited for the right moment during the match to leave the baseline from where he exchanged rallies with Berger and approached the net with his serve and by playing too

executed accurate volleys.

The UAR on Thursday night announced the itinerary for the eight-match French tour. It also said the New Zealand Maoris and Belgium would tour Argentina later in the year.

The Pumas, who drew Test series with the French in Buenos Aires in 1985 and 1986, will tour France in October and November.

Belgium will play seven matches in Argentina in August and September, while the Maoris will make a three-match tour in November.

## Graf routs Paradis for semifinals

BOCA RATON, Florida, March 12, (UPI): Steffi Graf of West Germany defeated unseeded Pascale Paradis of France, 6-1, 6-2, in 50 minutes last night in advance of the semifinals of the \$300,000 Virginia Slims of Florida tournament.

Graf, the No. 1 seed in the tournament and No. 1 player in the world, joined No. 2 seed Chris Evert, No. 3 seed Pam Shriver and No. 4 seed Gabriela Sabatini, in the semifinals.

"It's the best I played in two weeks," said Graf. "It was almost perfect tennis."

Paradis, ranked 82nd in the world and who gained the quarterfinals by upsetting eighth-seeded Raffaella Reggi of Italy Thursday, reached deuce only once, losing a 12-point service

game.

Graf put together two five-game victory streaks, losing only eight points in each. In today's semifinals Graf was in front of Shriver and Evert was in front of Sabatini.

Evert, ranked third in the world, defeated seventh-seeded Sandra Cecchini of Italy, 6-1, 6-4. Cecchini, ranked 16th in the world, beat Evert in the 1986 Federation Cup.

Shriver, fourth in world ranking, struggled two hours before beating unseeded Gigi Fernandez of Puerto Rico, 1-6, 7-5, 7-5. Fernandez, 40th in the world, won the first set in 20 minutes.

Seventeen-year-old Sabatini, No. 5 in the world, defeated 11th-seeded Mary Joe Fernandez, 7-6 (8-6), 6-3. Fernandez, a 16-year-old high school junior, is ranked

22nd in the world.

Evert's only problem during her match occurred in the fifth game when she lost her serve. Evert then won the last eight games, allowing just five points in the last five.

Gigi Fernandez, who served for the match to the 10th game of the third set, said: "If I had won, it would have been my best win ever."

"She played great tennis, better than I did," said Shriver. "If she played all the time the way she played today, she could be No. 1 in the world."

Sabatini was challenged through the first set by Mary Joe Fernandez, who held a set point, 6-5, in the tiebreaker. She lost the chance with a backhand error and Sabatini won the next two points and the set.

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## Manny captures PBAK Open Bowling title



Manny with his PBAK trophy.

MANNY Inserto, of the Philippines, rolled a total of 610 pins to three games to lift the first PBAK Cup Open Bowling title at the 300 Club on Friday.

Manny found his usual rhythm to register scores of 171, 236 and 203 in the 1st, 2nd and 3rd games respectively to finish ahead of the 110 bowlers who took part in this event.



All the winners pictured together. Manny is 6th from left and Nitz Alinea 7th.

Edwin Nepomuceno, also from the Philippines, who topped the first group with a gross score of 596 finished in the 1st runner-up spot. Willy Sahay, winner of the Most Valuable Player award in the recently concluded Philippine National Open Bowling League, had to settle for the 2nd runner-up position with a score of 580 pins.

Women's Open Cup with a total of 543 while Lynne Reyes (497) came second and Eva Sabay (493) third.

Other winners in the women's division were Amy Abdin and Cora Paras, both from the Philippines.

Meanwhile, the Philippine Bowlers Association in Kuwait (PBAK) has announced more

competitions for the coming months. All the tournaments will be for both men and women. The Handicap event has been scheduled for April 8, Grandmasters on May 6 and 12 and the Marathon on June 3.

Manny Inserto, who is also the president of the PBAK, awarded the prizes to all the winners at the end of the tournament.

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## Paris-Dakar rally reduced to 15 days

PARIS, March 12, (Reuters): The Paris-Dakar rally will be reduced from 22 days to 15 and the start will be brought forward, the International Motor Sport Federation (Fisa) announced yesterday.

Fisa president Jean-Marie Balestre said the length of the controversial rally, in which six people died this year, was "unacceptable."

He said the rally must begin on December 27 each year at the latest, instead of the traditional January 1 departure date, to avoid overlapping with the Monte Carlo rally.

Balestre said he had asked the organisers of the Monte Carlo rally, which was to begin on January 12 next year, to delay the start until January 19 to leave more time between the two events.

Paris-Dakar organiser Gilbert Sahine later criticised Balestre in a radio interview.

"Balestre wants to kill the Paris-Dakar rally," he told the RTL network. "I will fight this decision to the end, but if we don't obtain satisfaction the Paris-Dakar rally will be abolished."

"It is impossible to organise the event over 15 days as Balestre knows fully well," he added.

This year's 10th running of the rally took competitors over 13,000 km of difficult and sometimes uncharted terrain.

Fisa also announced yesterday that it would introduce a new 'silhouette' class series of World Championship races in the minor racing calendar in 1990.

The class will be for ordinary road-going vehicles with unmodified bodywork, but fitted with 3.5 litre normally-aspirated engines as used by Formula One Grand Prix cars.

The new series will include between eight and 12 races each year, Fisa secretary-general Yvon Leon told a press conference yesterday.

Only cars which have been mass-produced — with a minimum number of 25,000 vehicles built — can be entered.

Fisa officials said 12 manufacturers had expressed interest in taking part in the new series.

## Olsson stuns Ziheng in quarterfinals

MALMO, Sweden, March 12, (Reuters): Swedish champion Jens Olsson unexpectedly beat second seed Liu Ziheng of China to claim a place in the final of the Swedish Open Badminton Championship yesterday.

Olsson won 15-10, 12-15, 15-10 to clinch his place in the semifinals

WIMBLEDON FIGHT BACK TO BEAT WATFORD

## Forest tame Arsenal for semifinals

LONDON, March 12. (Reuters): Goals by Paul Wilkinson and Brian Rice carried Nottingham Forest into the semifinals of the English FA Cup today and broke the biggest jinx of manager Brian Clough's illustrious career.

Their strikes in the 42nd and 73rd minutes earned Forest a 2-1 win over Arsenal and took Clough beyond the sixth round of the competition for the first time in 32 years as a player and manager.

While Arsenal's hopes of appearing in two finals this season were buried at Highbury, Luton, their opponents in the League Cup final next month, continued their remarkable run of success in Cup competitions with a 3-1 quarterfinal win over Portsmouth.

## Remained

Having booked three appearances at Wembley stadium already this season, Luton remained on course for a fourth by scoring twice in the opening 22 minutes.

Wimbledon staged a remarkable comeback against Watford to book their place in the final with a 2-1 victory. Already 1-0 down to a Malcolm Allen goal — his fourth in the competition this season — they had defender Brian Gayle sent off a minute before halftime for throwing a punch at Allie.

Undaunted, they stormed back with goals from substitute Eric Young after 48 minutes and John Fashanu, his 19th of the season, in the 73rd.

Runaway First Division leaders Liverpool meet Manchester City away in their sixth-round tie tomorrow.

Glasgow Celtic, like Liverpool bidding for a League and Cup double, cruised into the semifinals of the Scottish Cup with a 3-0 away win over First Division Partick Thistle.

Arsenal, boasting a run of seven successive wins, must have fancied their chances of avenging



Fashanu: got his 19th goal of the season

a 2-0 home League defeat by Forest earlier in the season.

But they always had their backs to the wall after losing key central defender David O'Leary with a recurrence of Achilles tendon trouble in the 36th minute.

Six minutes later Forest were ahead. Brian Clough's son, Nigel, set up Wilkinson and he swept a sweet right-footer in off the left-hand post.

Arsenal battled back gamely in the second half, but Forest gave nothing away at the back and Scotsman Rice's goal made his manager's day. David Rocastle scored a consolation goal for the Gunners two minutes from time.

Arsenal could well have done with some of Mick Harford's aerial power. The tall, bustling striker had a hand in all of Luton's goals.

season. He scored his 22nd and 23rd goals of the season for Manchester United in the 4-1 First Division win over Sheffield Wednesday.

United, who never looked back after scoring twice in the first seven minutes, strengthened their position as nearest challengers to Liverpool but remain a distant 14 points behind.

Everton leapfrogged above Forest to third place with a 0-0 draw at Chelsea, the London club's 17th League game without a win.

Another London side, Charlton, boosted their hopes of avoiding relegation with a 3-0 win over West Ham. Garth Crooks' second goal of the match was Charlton's 1000th in the First Division.

Celtic's march towards another League and Cup double never looked like being checked by Partick after Andy Walker had fired the Premier League leaders ahead in the seventh minute. Second half goals followed from Tammy Burns and Billy Stark.

Davie Dodds hit a hat-trick in Aberdeen's 5-0 quarterfinal win over Clyde and Hearts were equally emphatic winners over Dunfermline, surprise co-queens of European Cup quarterfinalists Glasgow Rangers in the last round.

## Results

English Football Association (FA) Cup  
quarterfinals

Arsenal	1	Notts Forest	2
Luton	3	Portsmouth	1
Wimbledon	2	Watford	1

Playing tomorrow: Manchester City v Liverpool

English Division One

Charlton	3	West Ham	0
Chelsea	0	Everton	0
Manchester U	4	Sheffield Wed	1
Nottingham	1	Coventry	2
Tottenham	1	Norwich	3

Postponed: Liverpool v Wimbleton, Luton v Portsmouth, Newcastle v Watford, Nottingham Forest v Derby, Oxford v Arsenal.

English Division Two

Ashto Villa	1	Leeds	2
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Barndley 1, Leicester 1  
Blackburn 3, Bournemouth 1  
Bradford 4, West Brom 0  
Ipswich 2, Hull 0  
Middlesbrough 2, Huddersfield 0  
Millwall 1, Crystal P 1  
Oldham 4, Swindon 3  
Plymouth 3, Stoke 0  
Reading 1, Birmingham 1

Postponed: Sheffield United v Manchester City

## English Division Three

Blackpool	3	Aldershot	2
Stretford	0	Bury	3
Stratford	2	Walsall	1
Bristol R	2	Gillingham	0
Grimsby	1	Chesterfield	1
Mansfield	1	Notts County	1
Port Vale	3	Preston	2
Wigan	2	Sunderland	2
York	1	Fulham	3
Doncaster	2	Chester	2
Northampton	0	Rotherham	0
Southend	2	Bristol C	0

Postponed: Sheffield United v Manchester City

## English Division Four

Exeter	1	Scarborough	0
Hilfors	2	Scunthorpe	1
Hartlepool	0	Burnley	0
Leyton Orient	0	Colchester	0
Newport	0	Cambridge U	0
Peterborough	0	Stockport	0
Rochedale	0	Tranmere	0
Wolves	3	Cardiff	1
Wrexham	1	Swansea	2
Bolton	2	Darlington	1
Crewe	0	Torquay	1

Playing tomorrow: Hereford v Cardiff

## Scottish Football Association (FA) Cup

Aberdeen	5	Clyde	0
Dundee	0	Dundee U	0
Hearts	3	Dunfermline	0
Partick	0	Celtic	3

Postponed: Aberdeen v Celtic, Dundee United v St Mirren, Hearts v Dundee, Morton v Dunfermline.

## Scottish Premier Division

Falkirk	1	Hibernian	0
Rangers	1	Motherwell	0

Postponed: Aberdeen v Celtic, Dundee United v St Mirren, Hearts v Dundee, Morton v Dunfermline.

## Scottish Division One

East Fife	4	Forfar	0
Hamilton	1	Queen of S.	2
Kilmarnock	2	Clydebank	0
M�owbank	3	Raith	0

Postponed: Clyde v Airdrieonians, Dunbarrow v Partick

## Scottish Division Two

Aberdeen	1	Brechin	5
Airthrey	1	Queen's Park	2
Covendenhead	0	E Sirdiog	0
Moorfoot	1	Ayr	1
Sinclairmuir	0	Alloa	0
Sirliog	2	Berwick	0
Stranraer	1	St Johnstone	3



● Franz Helmrich of Switzerland takes to the air on his way to victory in the World Cup men's downhill at Beaver Creek, Colorado, on Friday. Helmrich finished with a time of 2:29.32. (Reuters wirephoto)

## Martin sends Devoy out of French Open

PARIS, March 12. (Reuters): Australian Michelle Martin pulled off an unexpected win yesterday when she beat world champion Susan Devoy of New Zealand in the quarterfinals of the French Open Squash Championships.

Martin, 20, matched Devoy in all areas of her game as she swept to victory in front of a packed gallery.

Tactically clever, she kept the rally a way from the front court and often drilled the ball to the back as she met Devoy's attacking play.

For Devoy, it was a major disappointment following her defeat last week in Switzerland. She said: "I have not been playing very well recently, but today I was beaten by a better player."

Men's world champion Jansher Khan was briefly in danger of going under in another member of the Martin family. Michelle's brother Rodney, but snatched victory 15-13 10-15 17-15 17-17 after winning the third-game tiebreaker.

Jansher Khan, seeded to meet Jansher in an all-Pakistani final, also reached the semifinals by beating another Australian, Chris Robertson, 17-16 15-15 15-8.

Michelle Martin (Australia) beat 1-Susan Devoy (New Zealand) 11-15 17-16 15-13 8-15 15-10.

## Soccer thugs

LUTON, England, March 12. (AP): Authorities arrested 17

people and seized a cache of weapons early today in breaking up a gang of soccer thugs. The operations came hours before Luton hosted Portsmouth in a quarterfinal match of England's FA Cup. Police said they were trying to forestall any trouble between supporters of the two clubs.

## IBF title

DUESSELDORF, West Germany, March 12. (Reuters): West German Graciano Rocchigiani won the vacant International Boxing Federation (IBF) super-middleweight title last night when the referee stopped his bout with Vincent Bouware of the United States in the eighth round of their 15-round contest.

## Title fight

PARIS, France, March 12. (UPI): World Boxing Council lightweight champion Jose Luis Ramirez of Mexico entered his second title defense this evening slightly heavier than American challenger Pernell Whitaker and just barely within the 61.237-kilogramme limit.

## Kyoto Classic

KYOTO, Japan, March 12. (AP): Joseph Russell of the United States lost the first set but rallied to beat Toshihisa Tsuchibashi 4-6, 6-4, 6-1 in the men's singles semifinal match of the Kyoto Classic Masters tennis tournament today.

## Former champion

CASERTA, Italy, March 12. (UPI): Former world cycling champion Mauro Argiello could face charges of insulting a public official after a shouting match with a policeman following Wednesday's tour of Campania race.

## West Indies hit Pakistan for 241

KINGSTON, Jamaica, March 12. (Reuters): West Indies, put in bat, made 241 for four from 46 overs in the first nine-day cricket international against Pakistan today.

## Scoreboard

WEST INDIES

D. Haynes b Iqra ... 0

P. Simmons b Iqra ... 15

R. Richardson b Jaffer ... 84

G. Logie not out ... 109

V. Richards b Iqra ... 15

C. Hooper not out ... 1

Extras (b-3 lb-10 w-1 b-3) ... 17

Total (four wickets, 46 overs) ... 241

Fall of wickets: 1-22 2-23 3-212 4-236

Did not bat: J. DeJoa, W. Benjamin,

C. Walsh, P. Patterson, C. Amrose,

Bowling: Iqra ... 8-1-36-3, Jaffer

10-1-55-1 (nb-1), Ansari 10-1-37-0

(w-1 nb-1), Zakir 10-0-54-0 (nb-1),

Tauseef 5-0-28-0, Shaik 3-0-18-0.

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Akhilesh: scored 77

DECCAN Blues defeated Premier Cricket Club by 65 runs in a friendly match at the Reggae Grounds no Friday.

After being put in bat, Deccan Blues scored 171 for the loss of six wickets in 25 allotted overs. Akhilesh, the skipper, scored 77 runs while Hafeez hit 20, Shetty 24 and Mumtaz 16.

For Premier, Victor took three wickets while Daniel captured two and Sabi noce.

Reach

Premier were in trouble from the start and could only muster 106 runs for the loss of six wickets. Riaz and Savin with 22 runs each were the only batsmen to reach the double figures.

Gopinath took three wickets for Deccan Blues while Muzaffar got two and Hafeez and Mumtaz one each.

Ahmed Al Hilal and Fahad Al

Rashed will be making their second outing of the season in the Group A Toyota Corolla Hilal told the Arab Times that he is familiar with all the stages, as most are similar to stages used in the past. He sees the main problem as being the roughness of the stages on the first day.

"There are many bumps, and these are difficult for the car, particularly the suspension, gearbox and axle." Again, it's a disadvantage for me, but there are plenty for whom it's worse," he said.

List of entrants: Mohammed Bilo, Sulayem/Ronan Morgan, Tynny Celica, Turbo, UAE; Saeed Al Hajri/Steve Bond, Audi Quattro, QTR; Michel Saleh/b to be announced; Audi Quattro, LBN; Mubarak Al Hajri, Opel Manta, QTR; Abbas Al Mousawi/George Souria, Peugeot Talbot, QTR; Sultan Al Sowaidi/David Orricks, Toyota Celica, QTR; Khalifa Rashed/Hassan Sarhao, Toyota Celica, BHN; Younis Ali/Waleed Al Zafri, Lada 1600, KWT; Saeed Ali Mousa/Adnan

Al Awad, Toyota Celica, KWT; Anwar Al Sayar/b to be announced; Citroen Visa, KWT; Ibrahim Al Moawad/Talal Al Attar, Datsun 160J, KWT; Ahmed Al Mulla/Jasim Al Harbi, Holden, KWT; Josef Miskulin/Klaus Schwingensieg, Nissan 240RS, KWT; Mumtaz Shah, Margaret Callow, Toyota Celica, KWT; Faiez Chihab/Hanan Chihab, Mitsubishi Lancer, KWT; Michael Allen/Marvin Philips, Volvo 240, KWT; Tareq Al Wazzan/Khaled Khalifa, Range Rover, KWT; Ahmed Al Zafri/Abdul Rahman Al Sharmin, Opel Ascona, KWT; Jasim Bin Hay/Haoi Ansari, Datsun 160J, KWT; Musaied Faraj/Muafid Mubarak, Mazda RX7, KWT; Harry Carr/John Gledhill, Mitsubishi Pajero, KWT; Tareq Al Ayan/Khalid Al Ayan, Daihatsu Charade, KWT.</